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FROM THE BROAD ATLANTIC,

Senator John P. Green Writes The Freeman—Seeks

"Social Equality" in Foreign Lands—An Evenning's Chat with Several Prominent Colored Men.

ATLANTIC OCEAN, Sunday, July 28, 1895.

DEAR FREEMAN:—Your uniform kindness to me in the past in publishing communications from me, on various subjects, leads me to hope that this will not be altogether unacceptable to you and your many readers.

As you see, I am out on the boundless ocean, sailing from the "wild and woolly West," towards the "effete and worn out East." You may wonder that I invest so large a portion of my scanty means in crossing and recrossing this great ocean; the fact is, I have had a taste of pure and unadulterated liberty in the old country—social liberty and recognition—without which, no great degree of success is possible in the United States or elsewhere.

Now, don't imagine that I am not satisfied at home with my associations and afiliations, from a purely social point of view; for we have societies and societies there, embracing all sorts and conditions of men and women, all colors and degrees of intellectual and moral graces; but what I complain of is the fact that this social ostracism, which makes pariahs of us, which shuts us out from all their lodges and other social organizations, and prohibits their firesides and familiar intercourse, extends also to their offices, counting houses and other places of business, thereby preventing us from making that reasonable progress which we have a right to expect, after having been forcibly kept back for so many generations. The young gentleman who edits the Richmond Planet, if I mistake not, made the assertion some months ago that he did not want "social equality." Well, I do, and I will go a long distance to find it once in a while, to see what it seems like; for I know that my own Afro-American brethren in the U. S. can never hope nor expect to reach commercial success until they come, literally, in touch with the men and women who possess well nigh all the money, the property and the educated intelligence in the land.

It was my pleasure to spend a night in Brooklyn, N. Y., with that prince of good fellows and courteous gentleman, Samuel R. Scottron, whose family, like himself, are always at home in dispensing a generous hospitality to all whom they deem worthy of it.

On this occasion we were all favored during the night with a visit from those widely known and highly honored colored gentlemen, Messrs. T. Thomas Fortune, T. McCants Stewart and Edward Barefield. Add to this trio Mr. Scottron and this humble writer and you have in your mind's eye a quintette, such as pure chance seldom throws together in our country: Fortune, the poet, author, editor, correspondent and debator; Stewart, the lawyer, orator and agitator; Scottron, the inventive genius, manufacturer and student; Barefield, the merchant, capitalist and politician; and Green, the—well you characterize me if you can. Well, on that night, after we had refreshed the inner man, we got together and we "cussed and discussed." Fortune led off by inquiring why the race had not, from "way back" down to the present time, produced any man who was the peer of the late Frederick Douglass? Various were the theories and opinions advanced. One said that the age in which Douglass lived and his environments had joined hands to evolve him; another said that there had been and still were many colored men the peer of Douglass in every respect, but they lacked opportunity of making themselves seen and heard; another, that this age calls for a different quality of culture and erudition than that possessed by Mr. Douglass; while we all agreed that the social graces, the consistent and upright walk characteristic of him through a long and unbroken career, had done much to stamp Mr. Douglass as the greatest of his race during the present century. When asked whether or not he had made a mistake in marrying a white woman, the majority of the sentiment seemed to be that inasmuch as he had married a woman of the same blood of his mother in his youth, he had made no mistake in marrying one of the same blood of his father, in his old age, provided it was a case where the love was mutual; for Mr. Douglass had all his life been preaching the doctrine that God is our common father, and that all men and women are, by nature at least, equal.

Later in the night Mr. Stewart asked the question, "Why should not colored men vote the Democratic ticket? or why should colored men vote the Republican ticket?" The writer ventured the assertion that the influence of the Republican party is more wholesome than that of the Democratic party, and by way of illustration, cited the fact that in communities where the republican sentiment predominates, there colored men enjoy more of liberty and courteous treatment; there were no "jim crow" cars for him to ride in, no separate schools (unless indeed the colored people clamored for them); in such places our daughters teach in mixed schools, and we are treated more in accordance with the dictates of justice and decency. Mr. Stewart took issue with the writer. He said we ought to eliminate the South, (a thing which we couldn't do in considering the influence of Democracy on society; since there one can find the pure, unadulterated "moss back" Democracy, which bites and kills), and strange to say, he cited the election of Hon. D. Augustus Straker, of Detroit, to a commissionership in proof of his assertion that the sentiment towards colored people is not less friendly in Democratic communities than in places where Republican principles prevail.

In answer to the suggestion made by this writer, that Mr. Straker was nominated for his position and elected by the Republican party, he insisted that it was solely by reason of the friendliness of the Democratic party that he was enabled to succeed. Mr. Scottron was of the opinion that the presence of colored men in the Democratic party caused the Republicans to treat with some degree of satisfaction those within its ranks. Mr. Fortune would consider the Democatic party as a whole and its work in general, and agreed with Mr. Barefield and this writer that the Democratic party had not only enslaved us, but that it opposed the thirteenth, fourteenth and fifteenth amendments, fought the Force bill of 1876, the Civil Rights Bill, the "Lodge" Force Bill and also the Blair Educational Bill—every measure intended for the betterment of the Afro-American. You can rest assured that we enjoyed ourselves, and when we adjourned at 12 o'clock—midnight—we felt that it is well to "get together" once in a while and "compare notes."

Yours for the cause,

JOHN P. GREEN.

HON. ISAIAH T. MONTGOMERY.
Mound Bayou, Mississippi. See Address, Page 3.

Indiana Baptists Association.

Evansville, Ind., Special.

The Eastern Association of Indiana Baptists convened in this city Tuesday Aug. 6th with a large attendance of ministers and delegates. Rev. N. A. Seymour presided as moderator and Rev. S. C. Manuel acted as secretary. On Thursday morning the Association convened in business session. W. H. Anderson, pastor of McFarland Chapel welcomed the delegates to the city in an eloquent and touching manner. The response was delivered by Rev. M. C. Anderson of Lost Creek who assured the citizens of Evansville that the delegates appreciated the hearty welcome extended. The introductory sermon was to have been delivered by Rev. E. B. Martin of the Corinthian church of Indianapolis, but owing to his absence, Rev. H. D. Cox of Clifton, Ky., was substituted to perform this duty. Rev. Cox chose for his theme a portion of the 105th Psalm: "Give thanks unto the Lord; make known his deeds among his people." Although taken unawares the speaker delivered a learned and eloquent address. The various church reports showed nearly every church to be in an excellent spiritual and financial condition. W. H. Anderson corresponding delegate to the Kentucky Association made a report of his visit that was brim full of interesting data concerning the work of the Baptists of Kentucky. Rev. S. C. Manuel was elected a delegate to the Kentucky Convention of Y. M. C. A., Rev. Seymour to the Ohio Association and a number of other prominent ministers were elected as delegates to neighboring associations. The "Doctrinal Sermon" by Rev. Isabel was a plain, logical discourse on Baptist doctrine, eloquently delivered. The Rev. Isabel certainly has reasons for his faith, and the hearty amens of the audience showed their hearty approval.

The singing of the Chapel choir, under Prof. Ferguson, their director, is worthy of especial mention. The speedy transaction of business of the association with the entire absence of that quibbling that so often characterizes such meetings speaks volumes for the progressiveness of the ministers. All differences of opinion were amicably adjusted before adjournment. The report of the committee on condolence was full of tender sympathy and highly eulogistic of the services of the dear departed, Rev. Jesse Artis and Deacon Robert Gregg coming in for especial eulogiums. An advanced stand was taken by the committee on resolutions, in which Sunday excursions, picnics and all forms of Sabbath desecration was roundly denounced. Indiana's famous Nicholson Bill was heartily commended, and the ministers were exhorted to lend their aid for its strict enforcement in their communities. The advisability of having a religious organ in the state was discussed, and a committee consisting of Revs. Goins of Rockport, Tevis of Jeffersonville, and Manuel of New Albany were appointed to thoroughly canvas the matter. Prof. Stewart of the American Baptist and Rev. P. H. Kennedy State Missionary of Kentucky, came over as fraternal visitors during the meeting. Rev. Kennedy still believes Kentucky Baptists the most progressive in the Union. The association closed Friday afternoon, the most successful meet in the history of the association with the following officers elected: Pres, S. C. Manuel, New Albany; vice president, B. Stewart, Washington; secretary, N A. Seymour, Indianapolis; assistant secretary, H. D. Cox, Clifton, Ky.; treasurer, M. C. Anderson, Lost Creek; corresponding secretary, R. Bassett, Howard connty. Rev. R. Bassett preached Sunday morning to a large and interesting audience, and Rev. S. C. Manuel preached at night to a large and appreciative audience. G. A. Williams, Association reporter, 513 S. Governor street.

Masonic Convention.

Helena, Ark., Special.

The "muddle" at the Second Baptist church has been settled at last. Rev. S. D. Gibson, with a large number of the members have withdrawn and organized a new church. The old church has called to its pastorate Rev. E. C. Williams, a young man of good standing who was reared in this community. The Grand Lodge of Masons for Arkansas will convene here this week. Such prominent Masons as Hon. M. A. Clark, Prof. J. C. Corbin and Prof. Peak are expected to be in attendance.

This city was favored with a visit from Rev. W. O. Emory, chief commissioner for the State, for the Atlanta Exposition. He addressed the people of this city on last Wednesday night at the Centennial Baptist church. The principal attraction here this week will be the unveiling of the monument erected to the memory of the late Hon. Wm. H. Grey, by the Masons of Arkansas. Next week, commencing on the 21st is the time when the big Baptist convention will convene at Arkadelphia. This is the largest religious organization in the State. Every Baptist church here will be represented. Rev. John Slaughter, of Nashville, Tenn., who is here visiting relatives, Joshua Slaughter and family, is highly impressed with this city and may make it his future home. H. W. Holloway made a brief trip to Vicksburg, Miss., this week on business connected with the K. of P's. Commissioner Morris has made some important appointments of persons to attend the National Congress of Negroes to be held in connection with the Cotton States and International Exposition. Prof's. A. D. Herron and S. P. Harris, who have been away teaching, were in the city last Saturday.

Colored Press Association.

Little Rock, Ark., Special.

We were misinformed about Bishop Turner passing through the city, it was Bishop Laine who was to stop over and preach at the C. M. church. The colored Press Association, in session here, passed resolutions endorsing the colored people of Chicago on the able stand they made in behalf of the colored miners of Spring Valley. The meeting was a success. The Masons Odd Fellows and Knights of Tabor are about to lose their cemetery. The trouble is occasioned by a brother Mason being defeated for commissioner. If you don't see the agent of The Freeman, S. W. Moore, you can leave your order with Dr. Coffin at Jones & Coffin's drug store.

THE "CALAMITY HOWLER"

An Enemy of Race Progress—The National Organization

Of Women—Sunday School Building at Nashville Demolished by Fire—Newsy Notes and Comments.

The most effectual means of discouraging effort is to destroy hope. The Afro-American will endeavor to improve himself as an individual in proportion to the hope he has in his destiny and the various individuals will associate for co-operative enterprises in proportion to the hope they have of the destiny of the race. Accepting these very patent truths it does no violence to good reasoning to assert that the "calamity howler" is an enemy of race progress and that those who can paint a bright and rational picture of the future are true benefactors of the race. Because of the wide-spread sentiment, that there is no future for the Negro in America, several hundreds have gone to Africa, and several thousands have ceased to be hopeful and industrious citizens of America, and have become idlers and vagabonds. So many lives were thus rendered worthless, and so great an evil threatened that the Bishops of the A. M. E. church, in their last council, issued an address condemning those who have aided in the spread of so baneful a sentiment. It required more moral courage to take this stand, because one of their number had been chief in preaching the doctrine which they censured. Hereafter it will appear that whatever Bishop Turner may say respecting the dark future before the American Negro will be purely an expression of his individual opinion and against the advice and wishes of his colleagues, that is to say the A. M. E. church, through the Bishop's council, has disavowed all responsibility for Bishop Turner's utterances. To the extent that this stand places them on solid ground as related to the evil of pessimistic wailings, the Bishops have made a grave point, but Bishop Turner still has the advantage of them and will have until they not only condemn pessimism, but also give voice to good and sound reasons for entertaining a hopeful view of our future here. It is not enough to merely deny that the future is dark but in order to properly encourage the people it should be shown that the future is bright. Can this be done? If there is no future for the race in America then, by having pointed with hope to Africa, Bishop Turner would be the truest optimist. Is the future before us as American citizens so dark as to justify us to "throw down the shovel and the hoe," to abandon hope and flee to a far off continent that is yet wrapt in darkness? This is a question that must be answered. I can conceive of no question more important to the race and know of nothing that would do so much to lend inspiration to race enterprises as would a clear and hopeful answer. However mistaken Bishop Turner may be, he has forced the issue and it cannot be evaded. With tongue and pen he preaches his doctrine incessantly, and his words reach the remotest members of the race. He must be answered by more than a mere denial.

The call issued to the women of the race by the Boston Era Club drew to Boston a very large and representative gathering of women. A national organization was formed, of which Mrs. Booker T. Washington is president. Delegates were there from most distant northern and western states. This convention is the tocsin which will awaken and unite the women. Men have tried and failed. The women will succeed. The "call" may have been provoked by the slanderous "Jacks' Letter," and the drawing force may have been resentment of an insult instead of a calm and well conceived desire to organize for aggressive work, but however trite the immediate cause, higher motives gained ascendency. Personal ambitions were swept aside, narrow views were overwhelmed, and broad ideas prevailed. Here and there an individual may have been snowed under, but the women of the race asserted their womanhood. They will be heard from in the future. The present organization may not survive long, but if it breaks up its every fragment will be a living seed.

A few months ago Bishop Gaines said: "When Dr. Smith sees that he is to be removed, I fear he will in some way cause the church to lose what it has at Nashville." These words gain an importance and significance now that the news comes of a fire which has demolished the Sunday School Building. It would seem that this visitation of Providence assures Dr. Smith's re-election. However, Dr. Johnson has editorially suggested that the apparent calamity may be turned into an advantage by removing the Sunday School Union to Philadelphia and making it a part of the plant located there.

If the plans now said to be entertained by Dr. Coppin are successful, Dr. Shaffer will be left out in the cold. It is said, by very high authority, that in case Dr. Coppin is elected to the bishopric, that Dr Jas. A. Johnson is to be elected editor of the Review, as the Philadelphia Conference can scarcely hope for more than two officers. This arrangement contemplates the defeat of Dr. Shaffer. Sometime ago Dr. Coppin indignantly denied having shown sympathy with the men of Florida who were after Dr. H. T. Johnson but when the fight against the genial editor was hot at Wilberforce, Dr. Coppin is said to have urged some of the irate trustees to "put it to Johnson." It also appears that a fight is on in Florida between Dr. Coleman and Dr. Moore, and that certain facts are coming to the surface that will make it hard for Dr. Coppin to be sure of standing in with the victorious faction unless he can make a very shrewd guess of the victor. While all of these things are happening, Dr. Embry is pegging away with his saw and saying nothing. He knows that certain combinations with western men are being tried, which, if successful, will make it hard for his candidacy, but he is just watching and waiting. After all the men who trust God and stand on their merit may be the winners.

JOHN M. HENDERSON, M. D.,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

A COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

Delivered by Hon. Isaiah T. Montgomery, Wednesday,

May 29, 1895, at Alcorn A. and M. College—The Needs of the Hour—A Brilliant Production.

MR. PRESIDENT, THE FACULTY AND SCHOLARS OF ALCORN A. AND M. COLLEGE, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: I am highly pleased to be with you on this important occasion. Though this is my first visit to Alcorn, let it not be supposed that my coming has been so long delayed for lack of interest or appreciation of the great work that has already been accomplished by this institution, and the grand possibilities as well as weighty responsibilities that line the pathway of its future. On the contrary I have watched with unflagging concern every step of its advancement.

To-day while looking upon your grand mansion and the stately buildings surrounding it—now forever dedicated to the high cause of the mental, physical and moral elevation of struggling humanity—let us pause and reflect upon the wisdom, sagacity and unfaltering courage of the noble character, from whom this institution derived its name, and to whom above all others, we are indebted for its establishment Standing out in the gloom of Mississippi's existence, when wreck and ruin overshadowed her dismantled homes, when fierce passions blinded the reasoning faculties, and blunted the moral sensibilities of his proud people, who had risked and lost their all in the fortunes of war, towers the commanding form of James L. Alcorn, jurist, orator, statesman, and above all a patriot! With original and rare executive powers, he gathered from an incongruous mass the elements of a new citizen, for which coming generations shall rise up and call him blessed! Mr. President, in my humble judgement, there can be no more fitting monument to the memory of this great man, than the perpetuation of this noble institution over which you have the honor to preside.

It was my privilege to serve intimately with him in the execution of the last great public trust ever confided to him by the people of his beloved state. Although physically weak, his great mind shone out in luminous brightness at the most critical junctures, pointing out the correct solution of the knottiest problems with such force and directness, that strong, passionate men yielded to the force of his logic like clay in the hands of the potter. His long eventful life was drawing to a well-rounded period; he was free from ambitious motives, and had no ends to serve, save the highest good of his countrymen; I esteem the time and occasion most opportune to bear record, that he was a true, helpful and sympathetic friend of the Negro race. No one among his distinguished colleagues equalled him in discerning the intuitive powers and capacities of this people; none approached him in lofty, yet simple, generous and outspoken expressions of praise and gratitude for their loyalty and faithfulness during the period from 1861 to 1865, when our beautiful southland was baptized in a sea of blood and fire. He readily affirmed that the World's History afforded no parallell to the discharge of their exalted trust and the inviolate confidence preserved during those dark hours of suffering and peril. In the galaxy of brilliant names emblazoned upon the pages of the history of this great Commonwealth, none deserve to stand higher in our esteem, than that of James L. Alcorn.

The founding of this great institution of learning was intended to supply a pressing need of the state, for when we come to study the science of government and contemplate over the strength of a Republic, the conclusion will be reached, that it rests fundamentally upon the intelligence and ability of its citizenship to cherish and appreciate its institutions.

Mr. President and gentlemen of the faculty: Reasoning from this standpoint you will readily perceive that your obligations and responsibilities for the proper training and development of the youths coming under your care are relatively much broader than those attached to the ordinary higher schools of the state. Here added to the high responsibility to parents, you have an obligation to the state and general government. In addition to training the mind, the hand and the heart for succesful participation in the affairs of social and industrial life, you are in duty bound to indelibly stamp upon the character the elements of good citizenship, lofty patriotism, and a proper appreciation and interest in the perpetuation and maintainance of our laws and institutions, both State and National.

I gather from recent inquiry that the expenditures of this college for the current year have aggregated something over $20,000, and that its income was derived chiefly from the following sources: From the state by legislative appropriation about $2,500; from the state as interest on the land endowment by the United States under the Hatch Bill about $5,275. From the United States Government direct, under the Morrill Bill $12,000 You will observe that the General Government evinces its interest by contributing $12,000 direct, and the state shows its fostering care not only by contributing in interest on endowment and regular appropriation nearly $8,000, but in addition thereto, extends the care and oversight of an able and distinguished Board of Trustees, headed by our eminent Chief Magistrate, Governor John M. Stone. I have witnessed their great interests on various occasions when the welfare of this institution was involved. As to the manner in which they have excuted their trust, and in which you, Mr. President, and your faculty have discharged your grave responsibilities, we will let the reports of your labors answer.

I trust that what has been said under the head of responsibility is sufficient to make clear to the students here assembled, that the obligations assumed or engendered by their attendance to this institution are of a threefold nature. Beginning with the parent, guardian or friend, through whose love and self-denial they have obtained this great privilege, then to the state and through the state to the National Government, it is incumbent upon you first to carefully consider your relations to each, and endeavor to adjust your conduct and course through life, so as to contribute to the happiness and well-being of the first, and to the stability and prosperous development of both the latter, to the end that they all may be bettered because of your existence and connection with them. By the practice of these principles, the beneficence of our great government and its institutions may be transmitted with multiplied and undying vigor from generation to generation down to the end of time.

These annual gatherings have been appropriately termed commencements, particularly as they attach to a number of you, who now go out from your Alma Mater to enter upon the active duties of life, and assume the full responsibilities of true citizenship. Within the college records will be preserved a history of your entrance and progress here, which is but a preparatory for the real activities of life upon which you are about to enter. It was the thought of the grave duties for which you are preparing, or upon which you ar preparing, or upon which you are about to enter, that dictated the subject upon which my address is based, viz: "THE NEEDS OF THE HOUR." This is my first attempt in the way of delivering a commencement address, and was undertaken with some diffidence, mainly because of an exalted idea of the service demanded by such an important occasion. Though despairing of the ability to entrance you by wonderful flights of oratory, nevertheless I trust to be able to convince you of my earnestness, and that the thoughts given out may commend themselves to your lasting consideration.

Those of you students who have traced the history of Races and Nations, no doubt retain a clear recollection of various climaxes in which a supreme need became vividly apparent, sometimes an individual towering above his fellows in enthusiasm, genius, fortitude or other exceptional qualities, was providentially bestowed to meet existing emergencies I have heard it said that the great warrior Louis Napoleon once exclaimed "That the greatest need of France is mothers." In the first dawn of freedom our greatest need was supposed to be political and party supremacy. When this glittering bauble burst, scattering disappointment and woe, then came the cry of education. We find, however by dearly bought experience that this alone will not serve to elevate us to a creditable standard, as a component part of this great nation.

I would not imply that we have not made commendable progress, but each decade presents its specific difficulties, and each generation is required to consider the supreme need of their day and time. Your presence here to-day and the execution of your interesting program clearly indicates that your parents and the state are faithfully endeavoring to discharge the duties incumbent upon them, therefore my purpose is to deal with the needs of the hour, principally from the standpoint that now becomes within your province to supply them. The credit for such advancement as has been made belongs to others, and I desire to impress upon you, collectively and individually, your responsibility for the future. I believe that you love your race; I know that you would glory in its elevation and would to God that I could make you feel how inseparably their future is linked with yours. You cannot toy with life and shun its many responsibilities, without proving recreant to a sacred trust. When your names are enrolled and catalogued in this and similar institutions, your life and reputation becomes in a great degree the property of your fellows. Something is expected of you. Year after year your name is read over, and the question is asked, where is he? what is he doing? shall the answer be nothing? shall it be that he is a failure, or shall it be that his name is a dishonor and a slur upon the fair page of the record? These are burning questions; think over them calmly, and remember that in acting out your lives you are to answer them, not only for yourselves, but for the race at large.

The Needs of the Hour demand in a general way, consecration and fixedness of purpose. Specifically, the Needs of the Hour demand that we shall utilize every advantage of our present situation. I would define the general term by saying that life and effort should be consecrated to some laudable and definite purpose, and we should then labor continuously and systematically to gain that end. In relation to the specific term I will endeavor to explain somewhat fully: In the first place you should carefully examine your situation and the circumstances surrounding. Then direct your efforts to secure the greatest reward that the advantages of the situation will admit of, bearing in mind that forethought, industry and frugality are indispensible essentials to success in any and all avocations or professions.

One of the greatest Needs of the Hour is homes—permanent homes—homes to beautify and to consecrate—homes around which to anchor the affections and center the hopes and aspirations

In the issue of the New York Age of May 16th there appeared an article from the pen, or a quotation from an address of that celebrated educator, President Booker T, Washington, in which he tersely described the degrading inequalities inflicted upon us under the Separate Coach Law, and our inability at times to secure food and sleeping accommodations, but he offsets all of these disadvantages by limiting them to comparatively a few days in the year, then graphically setting forth our privilege to enjoy at home a neat and comfortable conveyance, rest in an exquisite bed, and feed independently upon the most wholesome food the year round.

I appreciate these expressions of the learned professor and have quoted them because they are practical, and I know that there are numberless opportunities to multiply in this southland such attractive homes as he has so beautifully pictured. I believe furthermore, that if we will rightly grasp the opportunities now open, to dot these hills and valleys with respectable, pure and loving homes, they will prove a most powerful factor in disposing of the evils to which President Washington alluded.

Now my dear young men you will soon be shaking hands, and after wishing each other God speed, wend your way back to the parental roof Don't suffer your feelings to scorn that humble home, for out of its privations and toil, you have been sent to gather the fruits of knowledge and intellectual power. Let your first duty be to faithfully set about adding to its comforts and attractions. A great philosopher has said: "That he who will cause two blades of grass to grow where only one was being produced, is a benefactor" You have been making a study of the sciences of botany and chemistry; you have seen practical farming with improved tools and machinery; you have listened to able lectures on the care and breeding of stock, and upon the necessity and advantages of diversifying crops; you can read the market prices of various productions; you can calculate the cost of transportation and selling, therefore it only remains for you to apply this knowledge to practical use and reap the rich reward that awaits intelligent and honest toil. Within you lay dormant the elements for which the South now has great need for the intelligent and practical small farmer. Her emissries are scouring the drouth-stricken, storm-swept plains of the far west and her agents are haunting distant shores to securehis presence. Nowhere under the canopy of heaven is there richer soil or a more genial clime, lands more available or transportation more ample; you have strong arms and a stout constitution, surmounted by an intelligent and trained intellect, and the opportunity now presents itself, inviting you to supply the supreme need of your country and the greatest need of your race by adding to their virtuous homes and happy firesides.

I have placed considerable stress upon the opportunities attached to the farm, for a number of important reasons, a few of which I will briefly mention. It is the foundation of our State and national life and prosperity, upon it rests all other industries, trades and professions; it is the profession that affords the widest range for profitable development at the South. There has been comparatively little improvement in the modes of conducting our farm work: It is an industry and a field of labor which we fairly monopolize, and in grasping the advantages it offers, we need fear no restraint. We have been reared in a section of the country under a false system, that disassociated labor from intellectual accomplishments.

The NEED of the HOUR young men, is that you shall bring these two together, dignify honest labor and make it successful by associating it with intelligence, forethought and thrift, and you will surely lay the foundation for the lasting prosperity and development of your race, and render to your State a service of incomparable value.

Now as to the trades and professions, I would not have you feel that they are to be lightly esteemed, on the contrary, there is nothing that contributes more to the happiness, convenience and comfort of mankind than the skilled workman, on the other hand it is undeniable that a creditable rank in either of the professions is well worthy of the greatest effort—but a candid survey of the situation will reveal the stubborn fact; that we have our quota of saw and hatchet carpenters, who turn out jobs that are neither square nor plumb. Neither have we need for a further supply of the half fledged masons, who afflicted the world with that unbearable evil, smoky chimneys: These classes have proven a satire upon the race, engendering a general discount which good workmen find it hard to overcome.

If you have talents for a trade, first determine that you are willing to devote the time and energy requisite for its proper study. Then strive to master it and become efficient and approved as a workman.

We now have control of a creditable portion of the skilled work of the South, but I fear that it is either slipping from us, or that we are loosing our proportion.

This is being charged to the influence of trades unions and organized white labor. I am confident, however, that this danger can be successfully met, by introducing a higher state of proficiency among our workmen. If we become able to satisfy the public that its interest are safe in our hands, the natural laws of competition will obtain in our behalf. Therefore, young men! I doubly appeal to you to seek perfection! The struggle before you is to grasp the heritage that our fathers through native genius alone, have handed down, (for my father was a mechanic and a machinist). Surely with the multiplied facilities of the 19th century at hand, we can transmit the priceless gift with a large addition to our successors.

The same homely remarks concerning fractional mechanics and masons, apply largely to the professions. Our lower shelves are already fully stocked. This avenue has proved the most attractive to the genius of man since the earliest dawn of creation, and into it has been poured without stint, the richest and purest talents belonging to the God given heritage of mankind If you are possessed of ambitious hopes or aspirations in this vaulted sphere, you had best plume your wings for a lofty flight and steel your energies for a tireless struggle.

The world is now to become your school room, and the faculties of perception and comparison your instructors. You are to study nature and her wondrous works. Study your fellow men and their accomplishments, both of the past and the present. Strive for thoroughness. Make it a special point to correctly finish whatever you undertake, it is not enough to have your work tolerably done, or even well done. He who would have the paudits of a critical public, must struggle patiently and determinedly after perfection. At this stage allow me to earnestly warn you against a tendency that prevails far too much among our people, to parade themselves as skilled workmen, or finished professionals, when their works betray the most palpable ignorance and weakness to any mind of ordinary intelligence, such individuals deserve pity, they have fooled themselves only, by donning the lion's skin, for their meaningless bray inevitably betrays them. I have spoken of the supreme importance of the farm, which is the primal foundation of the great moral social and intellectual fabric that we are engaged in building. While mechanism and trades are its trunk and limbs, the professions represent the head and brain, the directing power of the whole. In the professions you will encounter the sharpest competition, and pass through the most critical judgement. On this broad arena Greek is to meet Greek, and from the conflict is to come our leaders and moulders of public opinion. Therefore, the NEEDS of the HOUR demand that it be occupied by our most true and tried material.

As I now approach a conclusion, I beg of your indulgence to introduce a subject some what foreign to the occasion. I allude to the Cotton States and International Exposition at Atlanta, Ga., which opens on the 18th of September next. and extends to December 31st, 1895 This extraordinary event, in my judgement, is destined to have such a marked effect upon the future of this section, our race included, that I deem it an imperative duty to impart some information to the end that these intelligent young men and the many visitors may further pursue the theme, and catching the inspiration assist in disseminating it in all parts of the State.

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EQUAL RIGHTS ASSOCIATION.

A Paper Read Before the Michigan Branch,

Whose Meeting was Held in Jackson, Aug. 2nd, by its Secretary, J. H. Gray—Words of Advice.

DETROIT, MICH., July 31, 1895.

To J. H. GRAY, ESQ ,
Sec'y Mich. Equal Rights Associat'n,

DEAR SIR:—I had made due preparation to attend the annual meeting of the Michigan Equal Rights Association, to be held at Jackson, Mich., Aug. 2, '95, but I am truly sorry that the condition of my health forbids me further entertaining the hope to be with you.

Since my return from the West Indies, where I have been absent from the States for the past six weeks, ending June 13th, at which time I sustained on my return severe injuries by falling off an electric car in the city of Detroit, I have been suffering from a nervous prostration which greatly hinders me from doing much or traveling. This is my excuse to the convention, wishing the assemblage success in its labors, and hoping that wisdom will guide its actions.

I am thoroughly convinced that an active organization for the consideration of public matters, as they effect particularly the colored citizens of our state, ought to exist and be maintained by us. I regret that the Michigan Equal Rights Association only exists and meets annually. The fault is not in its officers, but in those who fail to respond to its call for duty.

The white people in whose midst we live, are a liberal class of people, and are willing to help us up the ladder of political and industrial advancement. The idea that because we are colored citizens and a distant race of people, we have nothing to do with what is called "white people's affairs," is erroneous. We are American citizens, free men, electors, property holders and tax payers, and these are enough to entitle us to take part in all that pertains to the welfare of our state, county, city or village. Whether gold shall be the unit of currency or bi-metalism, or a free coinage of silver is best for the country, is, or ought to be our business in discussion, voting and electing our representatives as well as our fellow white citizens. But that we have a particular business of our own, none can doubt who knows the condition of the colored man in the United States. The escutcheon of the American Republic of the United States, once foully stained by the curse of slavery, is now blotted by hideous crimes perpetrated against a defenseless race in the shape of lynching, burning at the stake, disfranchisement by fraud and violence, denial of the equal right of locomotion, and other wrongs. The late method of oppression toward the Negro in the South, namely, by lynching him in the various ways daily recited in public print, cry out to heaven for justice. The most brutal rite of inflicting punishment upon an alleged wrong doer by unauthorized persons, who seem "For hell's amusement given" and are "Too mean for earth, yet claiming kin with heaven," is done in the name of christianity, and under the domes of christian temples, in the name of justice and at the court houses and jails, in the name of order and in the presence of juries, sheriffs and police officers; in the name of humanity and in the sight of the disciples of christianity, and the Priest of the Sacrament of our Lord and Savior, exclaiming, "Peace on earth, good will towards men," while the fagot burns, and the innocent victim is swallowed up in its flames, or hangs lifeless to a tree.

Oh Lord, how long, how long shall these things continue and millions of thy followers excuse themselves with the excuse, "Am I my brother's keeper?" "Ye creatures of a breath, proud things of clay," remember that there is a judgement to follow all your actions Let your convention ask the people of law and order, and of the belief in the justice of fair dealing to all men, to help us cry out against this unparalleled oppression towards a race, whose sole offense is the color of their skin, and the texture of their hair. Let not history repeat itself within this land as that in like manner before slavery could be abolished, English hearts had to be moved, so likewise before lynching can be discontinued, English tongues must upbraid us.

This wrong perpetrated towards the Negro, makes black and white akin. In my recent travels, more than three thousand miles, I found the method of lynching Negroes a foul stench among civilized people, who denominated it a relic of barbarism. That the organic law of our land was impotent to protect us, was the strangest thing, even to those living under monarchial rule.

But I am reminded that we have affairs at home to deal with. What are they? Are we advancing along the lines of material progress, as we ought to? Is the fault in ourselves or in others? In candor we must answer this by saying in both In what do our industries, as a race, consist? How many tradesmen are they, shop keepers, dealers in wood, launderers, etc? These things ought to occupy our attention while we are seeking after public station, for they are inseparable in endurance. In Michigan a more concerted agitation would secure us greater recognition in the exercise of the functions of government. Shall we have a voice in the selection of the next President—mark me a voice—not silence as represented by one sitting in a chair, often seen, doing nothing and never heard. Our future is of much concern to us. We are denied almost all the privileges enjoyed by our fellow white men, and yet we are told we are not progressing. Our wages are the lowest among laborers—our youth are denied trades, the stores of merchandise, banks, manufactories, and the like are closed against us; so that the prophesy that we are to be forever "Hewers of wood and drawers of water" is daily invoked against our progress, both by foe and friend; as those of the latter stop short when it comes to employing a Negro in any but menial employment. I speak thus openly, because I am convinced that a warfare is carried on against us, to keep us back, and not help us forward as a race of people, individual exceptions not making the rule. Our people are law abiding, peaceful, growing in morals and intelligence, and making progress, in spite of hindrances; yet when we find that of sixty five millions of people, ten are sought to be made outcasts of all the protection the law of the land affords, sought to be excluded from engaging in all the industries of our fair land, sought to be disfranchised of that most precious privilege, the ballot—made political serfs to serve the ambition of a boasted supremacy of color. The question arises—what of the future of the Negro? It is to my mind, the silver lining of a present darkness. I believe the time will come when we shall enjoy all of our political and social rights, when we shall be citizens, in deed, and not in name only. I have an abiding faith in the development of the American idea of "Equality of rights" as the chief of all rights. I read the history of my race in the pages of past servitude and oppression, and in the light of present advancement, and when I find that today presents in the persons of the enfranchised slave in America, and the Negro in the West Indies, men of genius, of talent, of letters, of industry, of wealth, when I view the progress of the Negro in the District of Columbia, city of Philadelphia, city of Richmond, city of Atlanta, and our own fair city of the Straits, and throughout the state, and see there, our merchants, lawyers, doctors, bankers, when I visit other countries, and see a chief justice, barristers at law, merchants, legislators and tradesmen, I predict the future of the Negro to be one of homogenous citizenship, of the enjoyment of manhood rights, of the exercise of political functions in the government of which, he is a subject, of the engagement of the pursuits of industry, along side with our fellow white citizen, of the existence of harmony and peace, amidst the races in this cosmopolitan land of ours, of increase in the scale of wealth, and of advancement of morals

When I reflect upon the work of those who died in the cause of liberty and the perpetuity of the union, such as Lincoln, Sumner, Phillips, Garrison, Greely, Whittier and Douglass, I join in the refrain of the poet.

"Oh, if there be on this earthly sphere,
A Boon, an offering heaven holds dear;
'Tis the last libation Liberty draws,
From the heart that bleeds and breaks in her cause."

I take courage and urge that we move onward and upward, while God consummates in his wisdom, our destiny, he did not make us to destroy us, and man cannot. Let clubs be organized in every county in the state for the work of the advancement of the Negro in the land of his birth or his adoption, and to the end that our glorious union be "Esto perpetua."

Very truly yours,
D. AUGUSTUS STRAKER.

Personals and Local Notes.

Calvert, Texas, Special.

Calvert has one of the best base ball "nine" in the State. Charles Matthews, formerly of this place, but now of Waco, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Foster. Mr O. C. Dogget, having arrived from Cameron the 3rd where he is engaged in the shoe making business reports good business. Rev. H. Harroll is conducting a series of meetings in Garrett's grove and reports twelve conversions and additions to the church. The baptizing will take place Sunday, the 18th. Mr. A. O. Elridge makes the best candy in the city. H. T. Walker, Prof. J. T. Bradley, Mrs. C A. Bradley, of Waco, and others registered for the Normal Monday, the 5th. Prof. Bradley left for Palestine Monday to attend the Odd Fellow's Grand lodge for about three days. Mrs. S. V. Moore, the assistant city teacher of Waco, arrived in the city Monday to attend the Normal. The Preacher's and Deacon's Institute will meet at the Independent Baptist Church August 24th. John Foster has one of the best blacksmith shops in the city. Rev. Moore, pastor of the A. M. E. Z. church, preached Sunday evening. Rev. Moore is a brilliant pulpit orator. It is rumored that Calvert will have a new railroad soon. Richard Colling, who was accidently shot by B. J Jamison some time ago, is improving.

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have come; the height to which we have ascended, and our grand possibilities in the future. In these will appear the true relations that we sustain to the moral, industrial and social life of this great country. It is the grandest opportunity ever opened to us as a race, and if rightly improved will prove more far reaching in its beneficial effects than it is possible for me now to picture. But you may grasp an imaginative scope of it, in this idea! Whoever has casually watched the trend of events, must be aware that we are on the brink of important chances. This grand event will usher into existence the new South.

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In conclusion allow me to observe to the faculty and the trustees, that in the ordinary course of evolutions, theory is always in advance of practice and realities. I must admit, however, that it has been reversed by this visit to Alcorn, when I looked upon your many and substantial buildings, your grand campus of 85 acres, covered with its carpet of living green, and gracefully dotted with the majestic moss grown monarchs of our Southern forests, your model farm and pasture of over 250 acres, with its stock and varied creditable products; your shops and the products of genius they are shaping—all gracefully nestled upon this exceptionally healthy plateau upon the ancient hills of my native State When I saw the orderly care and great interest that you exhibited, as the custodians and managers of this great Institution for the elevation of the colored youth of the State, and I learn that you have now included the maidens also, my heart swelled with feelings of pride, and I felt as described in the words of the great Queen of Sheba; "That the half had not been told." I shall go forth with new inspiration to resume the arduous tasks of life, spreading in my feeble way, the fame of your noble Institution and its grand possibilities as a factor, in contributing to the future glory and honor of Mississippi.

Now young men! permit me to utter a parting injunction to you, and I will have closed my mission. Remember that the grandest object to be attained through life's ceaseless struggle, is an unblemished character! Character in man, like virtue in woman. Its loss may be condoned, but it can never be restored. Under all circumstances and above all things, struggle to maintain a spotless character. Consecrate your best endeavor to elevate and enoble the sphere of our womanhood, endure any sacrifice, even life itself, to preserve inviolate her honor and queenly virture. For with in her are centred the inspirations of all that is grand and noble in human existence. The generation of your fathers in passing from the stage of action, their mantles are falling upon your shoulders. The theater of life's actions are continually broadening, you are better equipped and more is demanded of you! The future will be what you make it! In the language of the great Apostle, I charge you now with the responsibilities of the hour! Stand fast therefore, in the liberty of intelligence, of morality, of truth and honor! By so doing you will be able to transmit to coming generations, unsullied and greatly augmented, the priceless heritage and unspeakable treasures that are now confided to your keeping.

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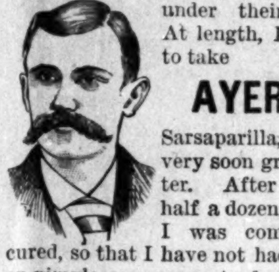

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I have not heard from my mother or father for eighteen years. I think they are in Nassau, West Indies. If the mother and father of Frank Sweden, or any one knowing of their where abouts, will address him as below, they will confer a favor. Address Frank Sweden, 71 Station Road, Forest Gate, near Stratford, London, England.

I am anxious to know the whereabouts of my uncle Willis Staten. The last I heard from him, (four years ago) he was living at, or near Minshall, Ind. His oldest daughter, Alice Verta, prior to them, had been living at Crawfordsville, Ind. About the time mentioned above, she wrote to me, that her mother, (aunt Harriette, wife of Willis Staten) had deceased, and she had gone to her father's to stay, I have written many letters to them, at Minshall, Ind., and at Crawfordsville, Ind., since that date, but have not, as yet, heard anything from them. Any one knowing their where abouts will confer a great favor, by informing Simon P. Randolph, Jr., Steeles store, Brazos county, Texas.

I want to find my brothers, whose names are John, Charles, James and Thomas. We used to belong to the Braziels family, Davis and E F. Braziels, and Misses N. and Emily, who raised us. We were sold in 1857 to a man by the name of W. H. Hogan. We lived near a little town called, Satartia, Yazoo Co., Miss. Our farm lay near the Yazoo River. Charles and James were in the late war at Vickburg, in the U. S. troops. I do not know the name of the regiment, except that they were under men from the state of Massachusetts. I wish to hear concerning my brothers whether alive or dead, also information concerning Pleasant Miller and Green Braziels. Our father and mother are dead. Address David Turner, Madison, Ind.

I would like to find my people. I was born in Virginia and lived five miles from where ships landed on the James river. My father was named Brister Johnson; my mother, Fannie Johnson. We belonged to Isaac Jones He had a brother named Aaron Jones. I had brothers named Jim, Sam, Lewis and Henry; two sisters, Sallie and Malinda Johnson. Isaac Jones died before I left Virginia. He willed me to Jackson Jones, who lived in Tenness, and he sold me to Logan Harper. Logan sold me to his brother, Henry Harper. I would like to find my wife's people, too. She came from Charles county, Md., near a town called Porter Bacco. She belonged to Robert Carpenter. Her father and mother are Peter and Susan Anderson. Her father belonged to the Spauldings. She was sold in 1843 and carried to Alexandria, Va. Mr. Collingworth bought her. My wife had a cousin, Lee Conner: he was a fiddler. Her whit people had a daughter named Time Andrews. anyone can give information of these persons, please address Randle Johnson or Sandy Anderson, Mineola, Wood county, Texas.

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MR. GRANT S. NEAL is now traveling through the State of Texas in the interest of The Freeman, and any favors shown him will be appreciated by the publisher. His work in Arkansas indicates that the Negroes in that State are intelligent and know a good thing when they see it.

A VOICE FROM MADAGASCAR.

The Madagascar News, a fearless and abley edited journal speaking in relation to the Waller matter, thus summarizes the international outrage, and in burning language, points out the duty of American government in the case of one of her citizens languishing in a French prison, the result of a dastardly and soulless comspiracy, which for months had been silently incubating until the moment had arrived to seize the victim of the scheme, and through the formality of a mock trial, hurry him off to a living tomb to emerge from, who can tell? It will be note that the Madagascon reviewer places a high estimate upon the American Eagle, and the lofty and patriotic motives which SHOULD urge the "Hope of the World" to rest not until a just and full reparation is obtained from France for the criminal and painful indignity heaped upon one of her citizens thousands of miles from his native land, but alas, we fear distance has lent enchantment to the vision of our foreign contemporary, and he sees and writes of America, not as she really is, when the rights of one of her black citizens are to consered viz: a coward and a pecksniffien cur, quite unworthy the appellation of a great and philanthropic nation. Under the head "America insulted by France" the Madagascar News says:

"An American citizen in Tamatave has been flung unto jail by the French, and after a mock trial has been sentenced to twenty years imprisonment in a French Military Fortress. Shades of Washington and Lincoln! will the United States tolerate the monstrous arrogance of France? * * * * On the 10th of last month, the French Commandant in Tamatave caused Mr. Waller to be seized on various charges that, apart from the question of treaty-rights no court of law would have considered that the evidence warranted even inquiry into. But there is no justice to be obtained where the French military authorities are supreme, ruling rampant. * * * * The Hon. John L. Waller, lately U S. Consul in Madagascar, has since 1891 been the victim of the most malignant and persistent persecution, direct and indirect, by the French. Refusing to take out exequatur (consular recognition) through the French Resident General, as he found that neither in fact nor in treaty-law was the Resident General the right source, referring back to Washington for approval of his action, and receiving that approval; Mr. Waller was treated with insult and all effort was made to ruin him In every way he was defamed. But he was not to be deterred from the courage of his opinions.

His views on the labor question made it impossible for the French to hope for the institution of 'free-labor' export, should the island not become a French Protectorate, and with Mr. Waller not discredited it was morally certain that he would, sooner or later, so arouse the American people against France enslaving the Malagasy that the American Government would refuse to concur in the Protectorate that France claims over Madagascar, and which Great Britain has so iniquitously conceded.

The fall of the Republican party in the United States of necessity caused the replacement of Mr. Waller by a Democrat Consul, but the weight of Mr. Waller's representations to the American Foreign Office still remained and, in fact, the policy that he had obtained their sanction of was not reversed.

Mr. Waller, out of office, still remained in Madagascar, continuing his efforts to cause the 'free-labor' export not to be brought about, Europe had, virtually, given up all interest in the Malagasy. Europe had left them to their fate. No Government but that of America could be relied upon to make any effort of moment on behalf of the Malagasy. Beaten almost at every point, the party whose views Mr Waller represented hit upon the expedient of obtaining a large land-grant in whose territory Americans could be invited to settle, and thus interlock American and Malagasy interests. The movement was far more political than financial. The French quick in decerning motives and character, at once detected the object in view, and knowing that no bribes monetary of the concession-recognition, could cause the leaders of the movement to sell the Malagasy, redoubled their persecution of Mr. Waller. * * * Night and day the French watched, patiently and with the stealth of a tiger waiting until it was sure that its spring would fasten upon its purposed victim. Mr. Waller for three long months gave no chance. In fact, knowing the precariousness of liberty under French rule, he wrote to his wife warning her not to even mention political matters or sympathy in her letters to him or her son, But, nevertheless, the opportunity, for which the French were so untiringly watching, came. A letter in which Mr. Waller referred to an order for four revolvers which a young Hova lad had, in October last—before even France had presented her ultimatum to the Malagasy—asked him to execute, fell into their hands. At once Mr. Waller was arrested and placed under a mock trial for being a spy and for supplying arms to the enemy. In our next issue, we shall expose the illegality of arrest and sentence. To-day we are solely concerned with the inhumanity of motive which has caused the long-lasting persecution of Mr. Waller, and, finally, incarceration for twenty years, if France is permitted her will, in a Corsican dungeon.

'Supplying arms to the enemy,' forsooth! Is the French expedition to Madagascar so weak that four revolvers for a Hova boy will be a menace to it? Are the consequences from supplying four revolvers so wide-reaching that expiation must be done by twenty years in jail.

The sentence is barbarous, and significant of savagery. Well may Hova lads purchase revolvers, for men who can inflict so monstrous a sentence, surely, will not scruple to perpetrate any atrocity, and revolvers may be needed to send the women of the land to a betterworld.

The whole sum and total of Mr. Waller's offending is his indomitable opposition to Madagascar being reduced to a depot for the furnishing of slave laborers to French planters.

It is a noble effort that Mr. Waller has made, and he has paid the penalty of Martyrdom.

The philanthropic world surely will not be silent whilst its apostle languishes in jail; the Afro-American race for whom he fought and bled on many a battlefield but thirty years ago must wail aloud throughout the length and breadth of America that one of their leading champions is stricken to what is actually death by French assassins; and the Republican party will be lacking in duty, halting in their glorious policy of the Sixties—in fact, swerving from it, if they fail to make the first use of their recent return to power to support Mr. Waller, demand his immediate release—with heavy reparation, and to demand that France act in accordance with and respects the treaties between Madagascar and America.

America should honor Mr. Waller—the Republican party in America should revere his name, for he has fallen in a gallant and long-sustained fight to secure freedom to the Malagasy. Success in life did not enervate him. In middle age, the traditions of his youth were not forgotten

THE WALLER INQUIRY.

It is said that a coward when cornered shows fight, and at times makes a good one. It begins to look as if the United States, a coward among the nations as far as the protection of her citizens abroad is concerned, has been shamed into the determination to take vigorous steps in the case of ex counsel Waller now confined in a French fortress under a sentence of twenty years imprisonment. After the months that has elapsed since his sham trial and incarcaration this is tardy action upon the part of the greatest republic on earth, the land of the free (?) and the home of the brave (?) nevertheless upon, the hypothesis of better late then never, we feel to be thankful for small and tardy favors as against a possible none. The latest in a nutshell is that Imbassador Eustis has been instructed by the State Department at Washington to insist upon the French government furnishing a copy of the original charge and evidence upon which Waller was tried and sentenced, failing, this government will take it for granted France does not desire or intend to do the right thing in the matter, and will either shut its mouth and throw down its hands, or take such immediate steps, as a first class government like England would take in a similiar case effecting one of her citizens suffering outrage in a foreign land. In the meantime, the family of the distressed counsil are destitute in a foreign land, and the United States government being appealed to in vain for succor the counsel of Waller are out in card, addressed to the public generally asking assistance and aid in the direction required. What a travesty upon the "greatest republic on earth," this whole matter is to be sure, and what poor encouragement it should be for Negroes anxious to represent the stars and stripes aboard. It may be we are mistaken, but to save us we cannot banish the impression, had Waller been a white Instead of a black citizen of America, his case would have been ajudicated long ago, and either the action of the French government aquiesced in, being just and right, or the prisoner set free and indemnity demanded. In the meantime possess yourself in patience, waiting the next move on the international chess board.

WHAT NEXT?

As relating to the recent horrible outrage and murder of little Ida Gebhart of West Indianapolis, the perpetrator of which is still unknown, a theory is being advanced by certain wiseacres that the crime was committed by a Negro tramp, basing their belief upon the following reason which prior to this we never heard of before. It is said by these same wiseacres, that it "is well understood" in the "medical profession" that there is a "general superstition among all classes of Negroes that the result of an assult committed upon a young white girl is the cure of certain loathsome diseases" hence to this "superstitious" belief, so writes our correspondent "is attributed the cause of so many outrages in the South." Our correspondent hails from Rockville Ind., and concludes his letter thusley:

"The matter has been given some attention by Dr. William B. Clark, of this city, and it is his opinion that the murderer of little Ida Gebhart will prove to be a Negro. Will THE FREEMAN and other Negro Journals's of America not answer this learned doctor at once?
S. D. HARRIS.

We have already given this "learned" doctor and the vile theory, he evidently indorses more space than he deserves, as it is not our rule to advertise monstrosities and "freaks" either of opinion or those walking on two legs. If it should turn out that the culprit in this harrowing case was a Negro, as the "learned" doctor complacently insists we will regret it, and be shocked, only in a lesser degree than we were a few days since, when a white man was find $250 or the extent of the law" for being caught in the committal of a nameless crime on a dog on the court house steps in this city. There is no accounting for the horrible and unatural crimes of the day or the motives that urge men and women of all races to engage in them, the black criminal being no worse than the white and vica versa. But the "learned" doctors theory that "all classes of Negroes" are addicted to the superstitious vileness as charged, is such an monumental lie and slander he should be ashamed to hold his head up among decent people of either race.

SPURNED THEM

The Republicans and "conservative" citizens of Bolivar county Mississippi, having appointed a committee to confer with the Democratic Executive Committee to select and indorse a Fusion legislative and county ticket were, without much adoo, spurned by the Democratic magnates, and given to understand, that they, the Democrats, wished no partnership business in theirs, etc. Thereupon the Republican Executive Committee of Bolivar, headed by the Hon. Iasiah T. Montgomery remonstrated by calling a delegated "convention of the Republicans and all voters of this county who are opposed to the proceedings of the above described combination," to have blood for blood and knock the Democratic calculations in a cocked hat so to speak. If our memory serves us right, our friend, Montgomery, served the Democratic party of Mississippi well and true, on a certain occasion in the past, and this is the way they show their confidence and gratitude.

Race Workers.

Atlanta, Ga., Special.

Mrs. Ford and Mrs. C. E. Pullen of this city, are giving a series of concerts every Monday night to raise money for the colored people's building at the exposition.

ODD FELLOWS GRAND LODGE.

At Lafayette, Ind,—McKinley For National Grand Sec.

Indiana District Grand Lodge No. 22, G. U. O. of O. F., Held its Fourth Annual Session August 6, 7 and 8, in the Hall of Tippecanoe Lodge, No. 1992.

The following delegates were present: W. H. Brown, 1485, Jeffersonville; S. Griffith, 1702, Evansville; James Johnson, 1707, Indianapolis; M. F. Smith, 1899, Terre Haute; Aaron Taylor, 1972, Evansville; Warren Good, 1981, Shelbyville; Milton Jones, 1987, Indianapolis; Thomas Lake, 1992, Lafayette; W. F. Tiester, 2053, Crawfordsville; Wm Frazier, 2104, Marion; Amos Ballou, 2284, Washington; J. H. Rogers, 2557, Connersville; J. W. Brooks, 2714, Knightstown; Isaac Warfield, 2791, Richmond; G. C King, 2796, Rockville; Allen Daniels, 2812, Rushville; I. E. Shannon, 2821, Rising Sun; R. G. Saunders, 3105, Vincennes; Isaac Wilson, 3269, Madison; John Wilson, Jr., 3630, Spencer; W. H. McCullough, 3731, Carthage. Total 21.

The following Grand Lodge officers were also entitled to vote. W. F. Anderson, D. G. M., 1992; H. V. Eagleson, D. D G M., 2531; W. E Lowndes, D. G. S., 3269; James Keemer, Executive Committee, 2714; R. A. Roberts, Past D G. M., 2714. These making the entire membership of the Grand Lodge twenty-six. Nearly all the delegates arrived on Monday, the 5th, and a grand reception was tendered them in the evening at Concordia Hall by Household of Ruth, No. 453. An address of welcome was delivered by Grand Master Anderson, representing the city mayor who had been hastily called from the city. Deputy Grand Master Eagleson responded for the delegates in his usual happy vein. Miss Stella Horner, representing the Household, then welcomed the delegates in the most unique and masterly manner that we have ever witnessed. She was the first speaker to arouse the whole concourse and she was applauded to the echo. It was thought necessary to select two persons for a response to Miss Horner's address as they would necessarily be impromptu and Grand Master Anderson called on Prof, W. F. Teister and R. A. Roberts, who responded in two short talks that were well received. A grand march was next on the program and when the lines were halted the delegates found themselves in an adjoing room around a table groaning under a burden of delicacies well suited to satisfy the most sagacious appetite. Each delegate was provided with a souvenir from the Household which, when pinned on the lapels of their coats, under the glare of the electric lights made the circle one of prismatic brilliancy. All retired at an early hour, (1 a. m.) in order that they might be ready for the morning session.

Tuesday morning the Grand Lodge was called to order by Grand Master Anderson. Allen Daniels, of 2812, was appointed temporary Warden; Warren Good, 1981, Chaplain; and W. F. Teister, 2053, Guardian. The password was taken and all joined in singing the opening ode, Prof. Teister presiding at the organ. After prayer by the Chaplain the lodge was duly opened and the D. G. M., appointed the following committee on credentials: J. W. Brooks, 2714; I. E. Shannon, 2821; Wm. Frazier, 2104. Credentials were collected the committee retired and a recess was taken to give them time to make reports. Upon their return the credentials were nearly all reported regular. Those having irregular credentials were called upon to explain. The explanations being satisfactory, on motion they were all accorded seats. The D. G. M., then appointed the following standing committees:

Appeals—R. A. Roberts, 2714; W. F. Teister, 2053; M. F Smith, 1899; J H. Keemer, 2714; Aaron Taylor, 1972. Finance and Accounts—W. F. Teister, 2053; H. McCullough, 3731; I. N. Wilson, 3269; James Jhonson, 1707. Grievances—John Wilson, Jr., 3630; J. W. Brooks, 2714; Amos Ballow, 2284; R. G. Saunders, 3105; J. H. Keemer, 2714. Insurance—Aaron Taylor, 1972; Thomas Lake, 1992; Isaac Warfield, 2791; H. V. Eagleson, 2531; J. H. Rogers, 2557. Rules—R. A. Roberts, 2714; Allen Daniels, 2812; Thomas Lake, 1992; I. E. Shannon, 2821. Grand Master's address—W. F. Teister, 2053; J. Wilson, Jr, 3630; I. N. Wilson, 3269. Condolence—W. H. Brown, 1485; James Johnson, 1707; S. Griffith, 1702. Resolutions—I. N Wilson, 3269; W. Good, 1981; M. McCullough, 3731. Annual Reports—S. Griffith, 1702; Allen Daniels, 2812; W. Frasier, 2104. Invoice—W. E. Lowndes, 3269; G. C. King, 2796; W. H. Brown, 1485. Charges—J. W. Brooks, 2714; Wm, Frasier, 2104; Warren Good, 1981; J. H. Rogers, 2791; J. H. Keemer, 2714. Constitution and bylaws—J. Wilson, Jr., 3630; Thomas Lake, 1992; I. N. Wilson, 3269. Auditing—W. F. Teister, 2053; G. King, 2796; I. N. Wilson, 3269; Allen Daniels, 2812; Wm. Frasier, 2104. Widow and orphans aid—Milton Jones, 1987; Aaron Taylor, 1972; J. H. Rogers, 2557. Condition of order—Aaron Taylor, 1993; Warren Good, 1981; Milton Jones, 1987.

The evening session convened at 2 p. m. The committee on rules reported; the D. G. M., delivered his annual address, which was referred to the committee; the grand treasurer and secretary made their annual reports; reading correspodence, appeals, charges and lodge reports occupied the remainder of the afternoon, all of which was referred to the various committees. The entire second day was given to the consideration of the reports of the committees. A night session was necessary to compelet this work, after which came the election of officers and the next place of holding the Grand Lodge which resulted as follows.

District Grand Master, W. F. Anderson, LaFayette; Deputy District Grand Master, J. W. Brooks, Knightstown; District Grand Secretary, W. E. Lowndes, Madison; District Grand Treasurer, W. H. Brown, Jeffersonville; District Grand Chaplain, Isaac Warfield, Richmond; District Grand Warden, Allen Daniels, Rushville; District Grand Guardian, H. McCullough, Carthage; District Grand Marshal, Spencer Griffeth, Evansville; District Grand Committeemen, J. H. Keemer, Knightstown; W. F. Teister, Crawfordsville; R. A. Roberts. These officers were installed by the District Grand Secretary of Kentucky, J. J. C. McKinley, and Richmond was selected as the place for the next annual meeting. Bro. McKinley is announced as a candidate for national grand secretary before the next B. M. C. which will be held in Indianapolis in October 1896. Bro. McKinley has been grand secretary of Kentucky since the organization of that body in 1880, with the exception of eight months and he has done more for the upbuilding of the order than any man with whom the writer is acquainted. He is the originator of a fine scheme for lodge reports and each year puts out a minute of the D. G L. which is second to none in the United States. He is brilliant, active, progressive, and well calculated to bring the order out of the old ruts in which it has been plodding along under a more conservative official management.

Mr. McKinley is the pioneer in the production of general literature for the order, his "Historical Sketch" being the first of its kind ever published in America. It was probably the incentive that has since given us two more complete works on the same line. Bro. McKinley was indorsed by a unanimous vote of Indiana D. S. L. for grand secretary. He has also been indorsed by Ohio, Kentucky, and Missouri. The last day was given to feasting, speechmaking, and dancing. In the morning the Odd Fellows, foreign and local, gave a parade through the town and presented a very good showing. The parade was set to start from the Milwaukee block corner at 10 o'clock, but it was nearly an hour later before the column actually moved, and then the original line of march was not fully carried out. The procession moved in the following order: Grand Marshal Hormer and two aides, squad of metropolitan police; LaFayette Military Band; Odd Fellows in line to the number of twenty-six: Members of the household of Ruth, in Seeger's big wagon; Greencastle colored band; officers and delegates to the Grand Lodge in carriages; colored citizens in carriages and buggies. The parade was quite a creditable one, and its passage through the streets was witnessed by a large number of our citizens. The parade broke ranks at the corner of Columbia and Fifth streets, and there was a rush for vehicles and the street cars for the fair grounds, where the picnic and barbecue were held. Speeches were made by J. J. C. McKinley, Ex D. D. G. M. Eagleson and Grand Master Anderson. The afternoon was entirely given over to jollity, games, bicycle racing, and dancing The affair closed with a grand ball at Columbia Hall which was largely attended.

NOTES.

Geo. C. King was a very efficient assistant secretary.

Aaron Taylor and M. F. Smith are ardent workers.

John Wilson stands without a peer on committee work.

Ask Elwood Knox how he enjoyed himself at LaFayette.

J J. C. McKinley, G. S. would look about right to Hoosiers.

Miss Libbie White of Bloomington, Ind., grew quite popular.

J. H. Rogers and R. S. Saunders made their debut at the D. G. L.

Grand Master Anderson was a busy man on the 8th of August.

"Crit" McKinley addressed the D. G. L. on Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Minnie Hale of Crawfordsville was a pretty figure on the floor.

M. P. Bragg of Terre Haute was a noble figure in the grand march

W. F. Teister begged to be excused from reporting to the daily papers.

Warren Good as chaplain was a case of "the right man in the right place."

Not a single peace officer was in demand during the entire G. U. O. O. F. demonstration.

J. H. Keemer received the highest number of votes cast for any candidate who had an opponent.

W. E. Lowndes and W. H. Brown were elected secretary and treasury by acclamation.

W. F. Anderson had no opposition for D. G. M., W. H. Brown has been in office longer than any other man in the state living or dead

R. A. Roberts was called home before the close of the session by the death of his uncle Wm. Stewart of Charlottesville.

Messrs. Spencer Griffith, W. B. Horner and Isaac Hill made handsome marshals in the street parade.

Mr. Will Frazier of Marion was on hand with his best girl. He is a courteous gentleman.

Grand Secretary W. E. Lowndes is now serving his third term.

Brother Amos Ballou made a light bid for the next D. G. L. Get pointers from Ed. Carlisle, Amos. H. V. Eagleson lost his plug hat on the road from Bloomington to LaFayette.

Allen Daniel and W. H. McCollough were elected grand officers. Good for the first trip, boys.

Isaac Wilson brought several volumes of law books, parliamentary guides etc. from Madison but did not get a chance to bring quite all of them into play.

W. F. Anderson, W. H. Brown and R. A. Roberts were the only delegates present who were at the session of '88, held in Lafayette.

Spence Griffith was the only person elected to office who was generous enough to "set 'em" up to the boys afterwards.

In point of quality Indianapolis sent the finest delegation that we have met from the Capital city for some time.

Misses Lulu and Maud Roberts and Stella Horner were prominent factors of the committee on entertainment.

Social Clubs Entertain.

Galveston, Tex., Special.

The ice cream parlors of Mrs. Agnes Tart, and Jones, Parson & Co., are things of the past D. B. Backstrom complains of dull business, and the Galveston Witness will not visit the homes of the citizens any more. Special attention is being given to literary work by the young people of West Tabernacle, Avenue L. Baptist, Macedonia and St. Paul churches. The Baptist Young Peoples' Union are making great preparations for the state convention which convenes here the 22nd. Rev. Toliver, the evangelist, is conducting a series of gospel meetings in his tent. The United Order of Knights of Tabor gave a picnic at Douglass Park, the 15th. Many pleasure-seekers left the city this week for Dallas and other points. The picnic given at Douglass Park on the 8th was well attended and quite a success. J. A. D. Lawson has returned to the city, after having made a successful trip to Huntsville and Weimar. Rev. W. H. Melton, a theological student of Paul Quinn college, Waco, preached quite an interesting sermon at Shiloh A. M. E. church the 4th. Mrs. John Fitch was surprised a few evenings ago by the young ladies "Late Hour Auxiliary Club," and the members of the Excelsior Band. It was a perfect surprise and was enjoyed by all. The Freeman can be found down town at A. River's barber shop, and in the west end at No. 2611, Ave. L. Another headquarters will be established in the east end soon. Call and get a sample copy. Editor J S. Tibbitt of the Galveston Witness is out of town for the summer. W. L. Jones has opened a job printing office at No, 2214 P. O. Messrs. Jones, Sheldon, Beordon and Mason are all young printers and are capable of doing most excellent work.

The most interesting subject discussed by the B. Y. P. U. of Ave. L Baptist church recently was "Resolved, Which would be of greater benefit to the country a protective tariff or a tariff for revenue only?" Miss Lilly Summers of Navasota is visiting Mrs. J. H. Smith. Rev. J. W. Rankins and wife will spend a few days in the city soon. Rev. J. H. Hall returned Thursday from Brazoria, and reports the Preachers' and Deacons' Institute which he organized a few months ago in a prosperous condition. Miss Bessie Roberts left the city Wednesday for Fulshear. Possibly the greatest social affair of the season was the reception given by the Socraterians Social club in honor of Miss Madora Foster of Houston. Refreshments were served galore, and the Depew-fashion toasts rendered the evening a most pleasant one for all present. Another reception was given in honor of the above named lady by the Neptune Social club Friday evening, August 9th at the Peachey residence. Misses Bessie Kyle, Madora Foster, Sadie Nelson, Janie Bradford and Gertrude Scott of Houston are visiting friends in the Island City this week If you want to keep po-ted and abreast and up to the times with the events and happenings which effect the race directly, call at No. 2611 Ave. L., or 2724 P. O. street and get a copy of The Freeman.

A Grand Time Expected.

Ardmore, I. T., Special.

The Missionary Baptist Association of the Chickasaw Reservation convened here on the 15th, and the Sabbath school convention on the 14th. A good time was had. Sweet, calm, and melodious songs in a divine service tends to stop the passer-by, and bring to that fold which the Saviour has made welcome to all mankind. The same old song, the same old tune, (that were sang in the days of yore) are indulged in by so many of the colored churches is sufficient to put the poor pilgrim sound a sleep on his seat. Little George Thos. Cherry passed away on the 9th, leaving many friends Prof. P. Guest, a graduate of "Prairie View" State Normal, Texas, is teaching a private school here. He is an able scholar and divine.

MY LIFE AS I REMEMBER IT—AS SLAVE AND FREE MAN!

COMPILED, ARRANGED AND WRITTEN BY MYSELF GEORGE L. KNOX

CHAPTER XXVI.

In 1888, I was chosen from Simpson Chapel as a delegate to the conference which convened in Cincinnati, Ohio. I was by this conference elected as lay delegate to the general conference held in New York City during the month of May, the same year. This being the highest position accorded to the laity of the church, I, as a matter of course, found myself confronted by numerous aspirants for the place. After what the politicians call a "heated contest," my star triumphed and the greatest honor that had up to this time overtaken me, in my relations with the church, was secured. A lay delegate's position, beside being one of honor and distinction, is also sought after for other reasons, which tend to enhance its value. Among those reasons, not the least, is the fact that the great church, pays all the expenses of the delegates of its general conference; mileage, hotel bills, etc., contracted during a space of thirty days, are all met and paid by the mother church.

Never having visited New York prior to this time, I was instructed by those in authority that I would be met at the Union Station, Indianapolis, by Col. Ritter, a well known warrior of the church and a lawyer of almost national repute, who would take me,as it were, under his wing, and travel with me. Promptly on the day and at the hour of their departure, I bade a temporary farewell to the cares of business and associations of home, and sure enough, was joined at the Station by the gentleman designated as my companion, He met me with that cordiality due a brother in the church and we traveled together over the Panhandle, taking our first meal, dinner, in the beautiful city of Richmond, Ind. Continuing our journey, which from beginning to end was a most pleasurable one, we supplied the "inner man" next at Pittsburg, Pa. By this time a great many preachers and delegates had been picked up at the different stations along the line. As I entered the dining room, I endeavored to make myself feel and conduct myself in a manner as would be expected from the whitest man in the delegation. The only incident that transpired to disturb my mental equipoise and remind me that I was not a white man, was the action of a colored waiter, who, when he saw me entering with the other gentlemen composing the delegation, was evidently flustrated and surprised, jumping back and giving me a look which indicated that he

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was laboring under the illusion I was entering the wrong place. I, as a matter of course, noticed his dilemma, was amused somewhat at it, but paid no more attention to him than I would have to a wooden Indian, nor as much, but went right on and took my seat. Outside of this harmless and quite natural incident, my stay in Pennsylvania's second city, that because of her many blast furnaces, etc., some writer has spoken of as "hell with its lid off," was very pleasant. The journey in other respects was a very pleasant one, as we swept by with almost lightening speed the villages and towns, the lofty mountain peaks and picturesque scenery that dotted the course of our journey. I neglected to mention that the turning of many curves and the rolling and rocking of the train,had made me sea sick, if such a condition can obtain on land. Out of sympathy for my condition and in his capacity as guide and general adviser on the trip, Col. Ritter decided that when we reached Pittsburg we would from that point take a sleeper.

I requested the Col. to engage berths for two and I went back in the sleeper. I approached the colored porter and made known my desire for a berth. His reply was quickly given "We are full, sah," Not giving up my quest, however, I met the conductor and making known my wishes to him, his reply was that he had but two berths at his disposal and they were already secured for two gentlemen, and as it turned out, Col. Ritter was the gentleman who had secured them, for himself and me. This being my first experience in a sleeper, and having an upper berth, it seemed that I must be thrown out and that the cars would certainly go down the embankment. Gradually, however, I yielded to the insinuating influence of Morpheus, was soon in the "land of Nod" and when I awoke, found myself in Philadelphia, the historic "city of brotherly love." Remaining there about thirty minutes, we pulled out for New York.

It was during this trip from Philadelphia to New York, that I met a colored gentleman, also a traveler, from St. Louis to Gotham. He lived in New York City, and very kindly, as it seemed to me, volunteered to show me how to reach my stopping place, as that had already been engaged in advance, saying that if I gave myself up to the charge of a hackman, he might be disposed to haul me around and around in a circle to make it appear he had taken me a great distance and charge me in the end,two or three prices for the same. I thanked my colored friend for his solicitation, and I bade my traveling companion, Col. Ritter, good-by with the promise to meet him again at the Metropolitan Opera House,the place selected to hold the conference. I then took the elevated cars, and this was something new and astonishing to me, riding up on a level with the third story and over telegraph poles. Reaching Thirty-seventh street, I got off and went to my quarters, The Sumner House. We found the Hotel crowded, hence was given a room, not overly comfortable. Dr. Hammond and myself were given rooms together, while Revs. Daniel, Jones and Fletcher occupied rooms separate.

During my stay in New York City, a month in all, when not engaged in attendance on the conference, I made the most of my time and opportunity, visiting the many attractions of the great commercial metropolis. We went to Highland Park, Castle Garden, Brooklyn, and other surrounding suburban cities and towns, not omitting the opportunity of hearing the great preacher, T. DeWitt Talmage, along with other attractions at my disposal.

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Enterprising Citizens.

Monroe, La., Special.

Prof. A. H. Johnson has accepted a position with D. C. Hill, the Five Point grocer, where he will be glad to wait on his many friends. James Colderwood, who has been quite sick, is up again. Rev. Dabner, of Girard and Rev. A. B. Flood, of Delhi, passed through the city, enroute to the Association. J, Ferrell, who was over from Shrevesport returned home on the 8th. Thomas Windham, our leading contractor, who has been very ill at his home, is convalescent. Read The Freeman and keep posted on race doings. The leading journal of the race. From the present outlook the excursion on the 14th to Shrevesport will be a grand success. Bryant Cotton, of Meridian, S. Olliver, of Crystal Springs, W. B. Jones, of Vicksburg, Miss., brick-layers, arrived a few days ago, and with John Whiters are pushing the work on the large, new ware house. Mrs. Vinie Carr died on the 2nd. Services were conducted by Rev. Wm. Hamilton at Zion Travelers Baptist church. She leaves a daughter and son. Prof W. Carson left for LaGrange, Tex., where he will teach for some time. Vic Green receives a liberal share of patronage from both races. Our people should appreciate him as he runs a first-class stand. Also Mr. Norman Mansfield runs a vegetable stall and has a nice trade. A great deal of sickness is reported. Rev. Sidney Williams, the Texas evangelist, passed through the city enroute to Mississippi. He will return in a few weeks and hold a series of meetings in the Tabernacle.

Sunday School Convention.

Clarksville, Ark., Special.

The Ft. Smith District Convention, held at this place, August 6, 7, and 8, Rev. P. W. Wade presiding, Miss Birdie L. Hope, of Ft. Smith, secretary, and Mrs. Etta Robinson, of Argenta, assistant secretary. Business of the convention was tended too and fine subjects read and discussed. Rev. T. J. Hill, of Argenta, preached an excellent sermon the following night. Wednesday subjects were read and discussed. The welcome address by Mrs. E. J. Lewis, responded to by Mrs. Susie A. Gates, of Hartman, and Miss Etta Robinson, of Argenta, were fine. Prof. Jones, of Ft. Smith, made an address to the children. A paper entitled: "Shorter University, and the church's duty to it" was read by Gillett and discussed by the convention. Rev. A. B. Evans spoke a few words from the Bible. The following resolutions were passed:

WHEREAS, We see so much violation of the laws of the various States in murdering colored people and nothing is done.

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Sunday School Convention, now in session at Clarksville, Ark., Ft. Smith District of the A. M. E. church, do hereby condemn, in the bitterest terms the action of the murderers in lynching the colored people of the United States of America, and also condemn the crimes committed by both white and colored as the most henious in the annals of the worlds history.

School Property Enlarged.

Poplar Bluff, Mo., Special.

Elder W. B. White went to Charleston and Cape Girardeau, Mo. Miss Julia Townsend, who left for Allensville recently, returned on the 3rd. D. J. Townsend returned from St. Louis on the 7th. Ellis Casey, of Leeper, Mo., was in the city last week. An addition has been made on the colored school house. Rev. Spencer Wilder, a Baptist Missionary, and wife arrived in the city from Texas recently and was the guest of Mr. Roberson. Carrie Lewis is in the city.

Guests Depart—Deaths.

Shelbyville, Tenn., Special.

Dr Turner is very busy these days. Rev's. F. M. Stamp, Hillsman, Jones and Nelson attended the funeral of Mrs. John Burkeen on the 4th. Rev's. J. A. Jones and W. A. Williams attended the funeral of Mr. Ed. Limbs from the A. M. E. church on the 8th. Rev. J. H. Hillsman attended the funeral of Mrs. Lucie Nowlen, from the Mt. Zion Baptist church on the 12th. Rev. J. H. Henderson had quite a successful revival at Deckard. There were forty-seven conversions and two-thirds of the number joined the church. Previous to the leaving of Mrs. D. M. Crosthwait and Miss Herminie V. Smith a grand dinner was set for them. They left for home on the 6th well pleased with their visit to Shelbyville. Miss Lizzie Buckner, of Louisville, Ky., is spending a few weeks in the city with friends. Misses Dasie Curtis and Jennie Hamilton, of Belbuckle, passed through the city Prof, R. P. Purdy has a very large law school. J. C. McAdams has been very successful this term of the court. Judge Houston, Attorney General Thompson and all the officers of the court are clever gentlemen and one can feel at home among them. Prof. R. G. Donald was in the city the 10th. Henry Mitchell is on the sick list. Mrs. A. C. Myers is much better. Mrs. H. B. McChristian was in the city on the 10th. Get The Freeman at W. H. Gosling's store.

Emancipation Day.

Monmouth, Ill., Special.

The celebration of Emancipation Day in this city August 1st was a great success. There were several delegations from adjoining cities The speaking was held at the dancing platform in the grove, with Rev. J. W. Washington presiding. The program was listened to by a large audience. The address of welcome was made by Mayor Lahann, with response by W. D. Anderson of Keokuk. Miss Bessie Wallace's paper on "Emancipation" was carefully prepared, very interesting and well delivered. The address of the day was delivered by Rev. Timothy Reeves of Galesburg. His subject was the "Social Rights of the Colored People." Ethel Marlow won second place in the road race. In the evening at Armory Hall a very large audience listened to an interesting literary and musical program, which was opened with an instrumental solo by Master George Jones; recitation Mrs. J. W. Washington; declamation, Miss Jessie Skinner; oration, Rev. D. W. Anderson, Keokuk; instrumental solo, Miss Bessie Wallace; address, Rev. Leonard, Galesburg. A dance was also held at Patton's Hall.

Miss Ella Wallace left last week, via St. Louis, for Russelville, Ky., to take charge of a school. Mrs. Ambrose Jackson has returned to her home in Ft. Madison. Mrs. Mary Skinner-Johnson was buried from the Second Baptist church. Mrs. R. L. Wallace is convalescing.

Marriage of Popular Young People.

Baton Rouge, La., Special.

As usual the unexpected always happens, the marriage of Wm. Hurst and Miss Ella Steward clearly demonstrating the old saying. These two most popular young people were married on the 5th inst., at the home of the bride, Rev J. A. Tercuit officiating. Mr. Hurst is a pushing and progressive young man with an abundance of business talent, and is a success as a confectioner. The good wishes of the Freeman are extended the happy couple. At a recent election the trustees of Bethel church were re-elected for another term. The contest grew decidedly warm when the election of a delegate to the District Conference came up. The reason of this stir is that the conference elects a delegate to the General Conference. Prof. A. H. Levi was the successful man with George Thompson as alternate. Jno. S. Mack of Clinton, La., is visiting his brother, S. C. Mack. J. V. Berhel is up from New Orleans to spend a few days. The picnic given by Mt. Zion Baptist church S. S. on the 10th at "Little Misery" was a big affair. The excursion to New Orleans on the 11th was the largest that has gone through for some time.

Social Doings.

Muncie, Ind., Special.

Mr. John Holland of New Castle, was in the city last Sunday. Rev. H. E. Stewart preached an able sermon on "Faith." He gave all an oratorical treat, he will preach but once more before conference. Frank Harris of Indianapolis, is in the city. Mr. and Mrs. Kelley are happy over the arrival of a new baby boy. Mr Athen Smith has vacated his chair at W. H Stokes' barber shop, and has gone to Marion. The colored population of Muncie is steadily increasing, three churches are supported by them. The concert for next week will be the best, consisting of piano, violin, and vocal music. The choir discoursed some very fine music from their new books. Mr. I. T. Eram and John Douglas, who has been troubled with inflamed eyes, had operations performed and both are feeling much better. Mr. L. E. Fletcher, the mail man, will go to Springfield, Ill., next week, where his wife has been visiting for some time. Mrs. Winslow and daughter recently from Ohio, have established a shop for doing ladies hair work of all kinds. Bishop Wayman will conduct the dedication services of the new church the last Sunday in this month.

Emancipation Celebration.

Paducah, Ky., Special.

The excursion to St. Louis on the 5th proved to be a winning card, the train of four coaches was well filled equally with white and colored passengers. Emancipation celebration August the 8th, drew about five thousand strangers to the city, it was the most orderly crowd ever here on the same occasion. The horse and bicycle races at the fair ground caught the largest crowd. The delegates to the General Association of Baptist are here in large numbers, the session will adjourn on the 18th. Charley Long and Anderson Pervine are among the latest deaths. They were both well known here. A. W. Watkins, W. B. Terry, D. C. Morton, Robt. Crump, and Mrs. Silas Kivel delegates to the grand session of the Masonics at Henderson, Ky., returned on the 9th. Mrs. Fannie Thompson of Louis, is in the city on a visit to relatives and friends. Miss Addie Moss formerly of this city,but now of Chicago is here on a visit. Lucy Perry shot and fatally wounded her lover, Will Simms, she then kneeled down by his side kissed him and then blew her own brains out, jealousy being the cause of the rash act. John W. Moore is visiting in Louisville and Covington this week on business. Samuel Gore, a well known saw mill man of this city, while arranging a belt which runs the big saw at Riddlebergers, fell to the floor and came near being fatally injured on the 9th.

Personal Mention.

Portsmouth, O., Special.

Chas. Jackson of Clay Township, has rented a farm ten miles below Columbus. He expects to move March 3, 1896. Mr. David Arthur Furgeson has been appointed D. D. G. C of Ohio, by G. C. James Weaver. Mr. William Lane and family have moved to Portsmouth. Mr. Henry Justice is very sick. Miss Hattie White is better. The report that Ed. Coleman was drowned last week at Galloplis was false. The Emancipation celebration is drawing near and the citizens of Portsmouth should celebrate it. The members of the Eastern Star who went to the annual session which convened in Greenfield, O., report a good time. Miss Oda Black has returned from her visit to Greenup. Mr and Mrs. Wesley Benson have taken little Charley Johnson to raise. Rev. Chas Strilbling and wife received a telegram Sunday evening stating that their sister, Mrs. Toles of Chillocothe, was dead. They left Monday. Miss Martha Scott was elected alternate delegate to Wilmington, Ohio.

DEATH OF PROMINENT CITIZENS.

Entertained in Honor of Visiting Guests —Knights of Wisemen in Charge.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Special.

Prof. W. H. Hostic returned last week from Evansville, Ind. He is now interested in the Chattanooga Herald, and by the assistance of lawyers N. W. Pardon and J, P. Easley he means to make it one of the best colored journals in circulation. We have two new doctors that will locate with us. J. B. Dickson, a practing physician of Atlanta, Ga., and D. C, Warren, a dentist of Rome, Ga. We wish them much success. Miss Mattie R. Jackson returned last week from Chicago, where she has been visiting Mrs. Ida Wells Barnett from which place she was called via: Memphis to the bedside of a very sick brother, Mr. George Jackson. We are glad to say that he is out again. Mrs. Ada Parker is visiting friends in Athens, Tenn. Rev. Baker who came home several days ago with a heavy stroke of paralysis rendering him from using any of his right limbs and also from talking, is improving very slowly. Wm. Barnett died last week at his home on Williams street. He was a member of the Knights of Wisemen who had charge of the funeral ceremonies in this city, and then shipped his remains to his old home in Tullahoma, accompanied by his devoted wife and family.

T. A. Frierson from Normal, Ala., after spending several days in our city visiting his brothers, left Tuesday for his home in Columbia, Tenn., where he will teach the coming season. Mrs. Henry Burton of this city, died last week at Gadsden, Ala., where she went to improve her health. She leaves a dear husband, a mother and several little children to mourn her demise. Mrs. J J. Irvin was quite ill last week at her home, No. 913 Williams street. Mrs. Rowan is improving. Messrs. Jeff Lytton and Bead, of Nashville, spent Sunday in Chattanooga. Dr. O. W. James has purchased a fine span of blooded ponies. They are now in training at Henry Forney's stable. C, H. Cox is without a wheel, No. 95, took it away at the drawing a few days since. There was a swell entertainment Wednesday evening at the residence of Miss Georgia Carter, St. Elmo street, in honor of Miss M. A. Carter of Huntsville, Ala. Those present were as follows: Gents, Dr. A. J. Love, Robert K.Lyans, Chas Monroe, Earnest Pelliett, Thomas Durroh, Al Owens. Arthur Donaldson, Chas. McDonald, Chas Ellis, Henry Slaughter, Ulysses Richardson, Alvin Dickson, Anderson Moore, John Yarnell,Symth Pentecost, Willie Clay, S. W. Jordon, E. E. Russell, John Harris, Jeff Reynolds, John Drum, John Hudd, George Lonzy. Ladies, Misses C. C. Jones, of Huntsville, Estella Tolbert, Lizzie Underwood, Nellie D. Caloway, Katie Hamilton, Lula Rice, Ella Roddy, Jennetta Washington, Lillie Webb, Susie Massenburg, Emma Fabin, Julia D. Porter, Lelia Hamilton, Jessie Olden, and Mrs Lela Jones, and Mary Little John.

There was another swell affair Thursday evening, August 15th, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Giles Turner, on Convort street, in honor of Miss Cornelia Jones of Huntsville. The Freeman is the best colored Journal in the world, and should be read and supported by every one that has the race at heart and wishes to keep pace with the times. Anyone wishing this valuable paper will do well to see C. E. Newton, agent who is ready to wait on you at any time, and will certainly appreciate your patronage, head quarters at Dr. O. W. James' drug store No. 403 W. Ninth street. It is probable that in a few weeks the concert by Misses Mayme P. Caloway and Alice M. Farrow of Nashville, will be repeated with several new additions.

The Odd Fellows in Session.

Water Valley, Miss., Special.

The Odd Fellows met here on the 6th with a large attendance. An excursion from Jackson was here on the 9th with about 2,000 people. Rev. Payne, pastor of the A. M. E. church preaches each Sunday at 11 o'clock. The Baptist Association is in session at Coffeeville. Miss Colby Gray is on the sick list. Miss Katie Hall of Canton is visiting friends and relatives. The District Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows closed a grand session Friday night at the City Hall. A large crowd was present to witness the installation of State officers. Rev. B. J. Davis has returned from the the Baptist State convention which he claimed to be the grandest session since its consolodation. Our town was decked a few days with some of Mississippi's most prominent citizens. Death visited the home of Bro. J. Moore and took away the child of his daughter Anna. The warm weather is causing a good deal of sickness.

On the Island of Mackinac.

Mackinac Island Mich., Special.

It is pleasing to note that colored tourists are becoming more numerous every summer in Mackinac. Most every steamer load of tourists arriving here or passing through has its party of colored tourists aboard. We hope to see the time when they will be as plentiful in these regions as Jewish tourists. Among those arriving here during the the past week are Mrs. Jones, Mrs. McCorkle, A. R. Richey and daughter, of Houghton; Dr. and Mrs. L H. Johnson, T. Whitehead and party of Detroit. The grand jubilee concert and ball was not as liberally patronized as it should have been. The Queen City quartet from Cincinnati and James West's singing was very good. Messrs. Will Johnson and Frank Douglass furnished some amusement with their "wing" and "buck" dancing, but the audience fairly shook the building with merriment when Harris and Huddell had their set-to with the gloves; it was a draw. After the concert everybody took to dancing just as naturally as fish take to water. All had a good time.

Social Notes.

Coldwell, Tenn., Special.

Mr. Amasa C. Phillips, our Sunday-school superintendent, is quite ill at this writing. Mrs. Etta Hodge has bought her a new sewing machine. Abraham Phillips' son is sick. Mrs. Mary Coble and Miss Mellissie O'Neal have returned home from a few days visit in Louisburg. Rev. E. W. Dangerfield of Tullahoma, has returned home. Miss Ella Bomar of Haley Station, visited her grandfather Friday. Mrs. Blakemore is able to be out again. Mrs. Susie Manpins will leave for Chattanooga in a few days. Mr. and Mrs. James Norvelle paid Mr and Mrs. Abe Thompson an evenings visit Sunday. Henry J. Miller and wife drove to Nashville in his buggy Sunday. Messrs. H. T. White, Willie Moore and others made a trip to Cedar Ride and back Saturday August 10th. H. T. White torpographer.

Notes of Interest.

Morgantown W. Va., Special.

Miss Gracy Walker of Uniontown is the guest of Mrs. J, H. Hurst. Miss Ella Jenkins is sick with the typhoid fever. Mrs. Lulia Tilghman of Uniontown is the guest of Mrs. A. H. Brown. The camp meeting of the A. M. E. church which has been going on at Morris Cross Roads closed Sunday last. The posters for the emancipation celebration were posted on Tuesday last and the date is Tuesday Sept, the 24. C. A. Biggs, J. A, Harris, Link Harris and John Edwards were at Morris Cross Roads at the closing of camp meeting. The camp meeting at Point Marrion, Pa, under the charge of Rev. T. W. Ford of Uniontown, Pa., and J. W. Hurst of Morgantown W. Va., will continue over Sunday August 18. A. H. Brown reporter and agent for the FREEMAN who has been indisposed for the past ten days is convalescent. The dedication of the new A. M. E. church has been put off till a later date. Mrs. N. J. Robinson and daughter Helen is the guest of Mrs. A. H. Brown for a few weeks. Remember that the collector for the FREEMAN will call on you this week, so be ready. Mr. Frank Jackson of Fairmont, W. Va., will take an active part in the emancipation.

Should Demand It.

Memphis, Tenn., Special.

Ground has been broken to erect a new front to Avery chapel, and do other much needed repairing.

Dallis Lee the only colored man on the police force has been compelled to resign on account of his health. In this case like all others, the colored people are not united sufficiently to demand or even ask that another colored man be placed upon the force.

Mrs. Ida Russell of Greenwood place is quite sick.

Mr Ed. Lewis left last week for St. Louis. Mrs. John Hamilton of Bowlden avenue is down with rhuematism.

Mrs. W. D. Kiek of Union avenue opend her parlor doors to Avery chapel club No. 1 last Friday night where a host of friends enjoyed themselves until a late hour.

Prof. C. A. Thompson has just returned from an extended trip through Ark. Where he has been he reports great success with Panorana.

Elder P. J. Jackson pastor of Beale street Baptist church is convalescent.

Mrs. Fannie Clay is very low.

Mr. Geo. Martin died very suddenly Wednesday night with indigestion He was a member of Union Lodge No. 32 Masonic prolenity, he left a wife and five children to mourn his last.

ATTENTION!

Mrs. Lizzie Turner left Thursday for New York City where she will take a two month's course at the McDowell Dress Designing School. She will complete herself in all departments of dress making. Cutting and fitting a specialty. The school Mrs. Turner attends is the finest in America, and she will return fully competent to give the general public guaranteed satisfaction, when she will be pleased to have all her former customers consult her, and all others who desire satisfaction in her line. Aug. 10 4t.

Notice!

All the ladies and minister's wives of the Indiana A. M. E. Conference are hereby reminded that the Annual Conference is drawing near. I desire to have all cards of mine pertaining to missionary work brought or sent in by the setting of the conference. I also desire to see which presiding elder's district will lead out in missionary work.

Yours for the cause of Christ,

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FORT SCOTT, KAN., July 15, '95.

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210 S. Little street.

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CHICAGO, ILL., July 18, '95.

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112 N. Lincoln street.

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BALTIMORE, MD., July 12, '95.

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PLEASANT HILL, SABINE PARISH, LA., June 2.

EDITOR FREEMAN:—Dear Sir, I could not send you all of my subscription at this writing, but will send the other as soon as I can. I think The Freeman an interesting race paper and I want it. W. DIGGS.

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PALESTINE, TEX., July 15, '85.

HON. G. L. KNOX:—I must have the dear Freeman to come to my house every week as it has for some five or six years. Enclosed please find the money for renewal of my subscription

HATTIE H, GASTON.

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CHATTANOOGA, TENN., July 15, '95.

SIR:—During the three, may be four weeks just past The Freeman has not reached me. Enclosed find 75 cents for renewal and 20 cents for those back numbers. I do not like to miss a single copy of your valuable peaper.

C. L. COLEMAN.

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MOBILE, ALA., July 16, '95.

EDITOR FREEMAN:—Please find enclosed money order for 75 cents for the renewal of my subscription to The Freeman. I regard it as the greatest Negro journal in this or any other country. May your paper continue as it seems to be, "The beacon light of Ethiopia,"

A. H. JACKSON.

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ST. LOUIS, MO., July 15, '95.

EDITOR FREEMAN:—I herewith enclose you a money order for $1.50 for the renewal of my subscription, with an additional new subscriber for The Freeman. If there were ever an opportunity given for securing this nonpariel illustrated newspaper, the greatest of its kind in defense of right and justice of the race, published, is now. Every family that has'nt a race journal in their home should take advantage of The Freeman at the reduced price.

W. ATLAS COCOLOUGH.

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CLARKSVILLE, TENN., July 16, '95.

EDITOR FREEMAN:—Noticing on my last paper that my time had expired I now hasten to renew my subscription, and while special inducements are offered. I thought that I should do a little work for your very valuable paper in the way of getting subscribers. You will, therefore, find enclosed $6.00 for twelve annual subscribers. Please send to the following addresses: J. H. Thompkins, 306 Poston street; Chas. E. Smith, 302 Poston street; Samuel Steel, 413 Ninth street; Prof. R. L. Yancy, Marion street; W. J. Overton, 125 Shearer street; S. A. Dabney, Gupton Hill; Mrs. J. S. Smith, 626 Martin street; A. McKinon, Court House; Hon. J. W. Wheeler, 1135 Franklin street; W. T. Edmons, 721 Main street: A. W. Saunders, 615 Adams street; Clarksville, Tenn., and your humble servant, J. W. Page, corner Kellogg and Howard streets. Please send the papers to all named to Clarksville, Tenn. May The Freeman live long as it is doing much for a down-trodden race. J. W. PAGE.

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ELMOT, MISS., CO., ARK., July 10, '95.

EDITOR FREEMAN:—Please to find enclosed 75 cents for renewal of my subscription to your great and valuable paper. I am more than gratified to know that your genuine and true paper is in the reach of every reader and every reader in the South and occident should subscribe for The Freeman. I am sure any gentlemen or lady that reading The Freeman regular is 20 per cent better off. The Freeman is a leader and a teacher to all readers, for it speaks the right words and faithfully to its race, and it gives every gentleman the true doctoring. I was just fixing to subscribe for The Freeman at the old price, $1.50, when Mrs. Johnson was reading the paper and told me that The Freeman had reduced down to 75 cents for thirty days, and I recognize your paper as the leading colored paper in America. I will try and get up a club of subscribers to The Freeman. I am ready and willing to aid The Freeman at any hour. Yours sincerely. Great wisher to The Freeman's success.

J. R. JOHNSON.

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Oh, why should I leave thee, good dollar, alone?

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How different people who have or are supposed to have advanced many miles ahead of the race in its progressive march, act. Some wear their badges of distsnction upon their coats and announce their comings and goings by loud self-written puffs in the local papers, while others come, perform their task and slip quietly away. I was one of five hundred people who assembled, not many moons ago, to listen to the remarks of two gifted if not "great" Afro-American speakers. They were men of more or less national note; they were from far off towns and had been engaged by the management of the literary society to enlighten the public in general and the members of the literary society in particular upon several up-to date problems. Just before the hour had come the men were there. I will call them Prof. Y. and Dr. Z. Dr. Z. who was beyond all doubt, the greater of the two, came first. Both gentlemen were known only through name to nine-tenths of the assemblage. The doctor entered modestly by one of the side doors, walked quietly a few steps up the left side of the hall and dropped unnoticed in a corner seat. A few minutes later there was a commotion at the main entrance. A tall man with a light spring overcoat upon his arm entered. He snatched the extended hand of one of the managers of the evening and shook it as if he would pull it from its moorings. "Why, how do you do, friend A?" asked the great and distinguished Prof, Y. in tones of thunder. Every one looked with eyes almost as large as a half dollar. The "great" man stood talking with his mouth and hands until he felt sure every eye in the hall was upon him, when he suddenly pulled out his watch, looked knowingly at it, and started with the step and bearing of a soldier up the middle of the hall towards the rostrum, "That's Dr. Z., whispered a knowing young man in the gallery to his companions. They were all admirers of Dr Z. and commenced at once to clap their hands and stamp their feet. This act inspired the whole house, and an outburst of popular applause greeted the hero of the minute. He looked neither to the right nor left, but marched with the look of a supreme judge upon his face and with the stately step of a midshipman in full dress, rostrumward, ever rostrumward. When he reached the platform, after shaking hands with every one seated as if they had all been his playfellows of boyhood and companions of youth he did condescend to make two stiff bows to the common herd. The assemblage, led by the Young-Know-it-all went wild; the house almost shook with the ovation; the proxy recipient bowed to the right and left once more and took his seat. Young-Know-it-all was not satisfied; he proposed "three cheers for Dr. Z." The chairman of the meeting stepped forward and remarked with uplifted hand of warning:

"We are always glad to see our people greet distinguished visitors with tokens of esteem, and welcome but cheering is just a little out of place here The gentleman whom you have so warmly greeted is NOT Dr. Z., but Prof. Y"

"Oh, pshaw," was the stage whisper heard upon the platform from all parts of the house, and Prof. Y's great-I-am-ness fell several points. The real Dr. Z. was quietly seated at the back of the platform having reached it unnoticed from the side. Make your own comments, gentle or savage reader.

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For the last time!

What indescribable pathos these four words contain. Hope, the North Star of unhappy humanity—the light by which the unsuccessful or "unlucky" have been led through the woods of non-success—is by this short sentence forever extinguished. "Hope deferred maketh the heart sick," and hope extinguished maketh the heart dead, and fills the soul with a sadness, the pen of sage, poet, or writer cannot portray. FOR THE LAST TIME! For the last time the queen of song whose bird-like notes, whose soft, mellow voice has enchanted thousands, yes millions, is before the public—for the last time. In a few short hours the music-loving populace that has so often heard her sweet strains, will hear them no more, forever, aye forever.

The silver-tongued orator whose gift has caused thousands to appear as one man, the man whose speeches in the halls of legislation has decided the fate of a nation, now aged and infirm stands upon the rostrum FOR THE LAST TIME. The beloved pastor whose head blooms for the grave, and who with much difficulty crawls up the pulpit from which for years he has proclaimed God's word, and in a feeble voice says to the sea of up-turned faces that it is his farewell sermon. "The last time, dear friends and beloved hearers that I will fill this pulpit." The class-mates who, after three or four years under the instructive wing of their Alma Mater met in the class room for the last time. The bereft child who kisses the dead lips of a devoted parent for the last time before the coffin closes; the loving parent who for the last time views the remains of his bud of promise plucked by the king of terrors; the life prisoner who looks upon the scenes and friends of his childhood for the last time, all awaken a peculiar inward feeling that baffles the gifted pen. The birth of these pennings was caused by a friend saying to me a few days ago, "I have ust looked at my mother's face for the last time."

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It is only a step from the sublime to the ridiculous, so we'll take that step. There were seven of them seated around the festive board airing their views upon the financial question. They were neither bankers nor brokers, still they handled lots of other folks money

"I'm out for free silver," said the pick-pocket."

"Well, yes; I'm in favor of free coinage myself," said the counterfeiter.

"I believe we should 'hold up' the Administration," said the highwayman.

"When it comes to a question of gold or silver I'm undecided," said the "fence."

"You fellows better come on the greenback side of the financial question," whispered the bunco steerer confidentially.

"I'd like to put a big check upon all the national banks," broke in the forger.

"The only sound financial policy to follow," remarked the burglar as he picked up his kit in disgust, and left the Bowery Banquet Hall, "is while you fellows crack jokes for me to crack a safe."

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The C. A. H. Y. Club's Program.

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The weekly meeting of the C. A. H. Y. C. was held August 12th and the following program was rendered: Singing by the C. A. H. Y. C.; prayer, Miss E. G. Hueston; singing, by all; opening address, Mr. Miedia Mitchell; declamation, Mrs. Hattie Smith; vocal solo, Miss Evelena Colter; essay, Mr. J. P. Ashby; ten verses from Bible, Mr. J. T. Miller; select reading, Miss Pearlie Lemoyen; bass solo, Mr. A. H. Tracy; closing address, C. N. Colter; debate, "has a woman a right to vote," affirmative M. Mitchell, and A. Jackson; negative, Sam Puckett and A. Phillips. President Colter and H. Whizour will leave for Eastman Town, Samaritan Hill and Marche to organize three C. A H. Y. clubs next week. Miss Evelena Colter entertained a few invited friends last week. Those present were Messrs. A. Dennis, Leon Henry, General Maholmes; M. J. Green, T. Hueston, J. T. Miller, Wm. Atkinson, H. P. Whizour, C. N. Colter, D. L. Stewart, Jas. Lemoyen, Misses E. G. Hueston, Pearlie Lemoyen, Jesse Lemoyen, Mr. and Mrs, W. M. Hamilton, and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Bowers.

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Ft. Custer, Mon., Speeial.

We are having plenty of drilling and plenty of hot weather. The inspecting officer has arrived and he is making things hot for the boys. The paymaster came the first of the week, and left the boys in good spirits. Rev. J M. Streeter of Clarksville, Tenn., preached for us last Sunday morning and night. Messrs. Foster and Frierson, are expecting to put up their telegraph line again soon. Troops E. and K. are making some great improvements between their quarters. Messrs. Williams and Miles returned Sunday from a fishing trip.

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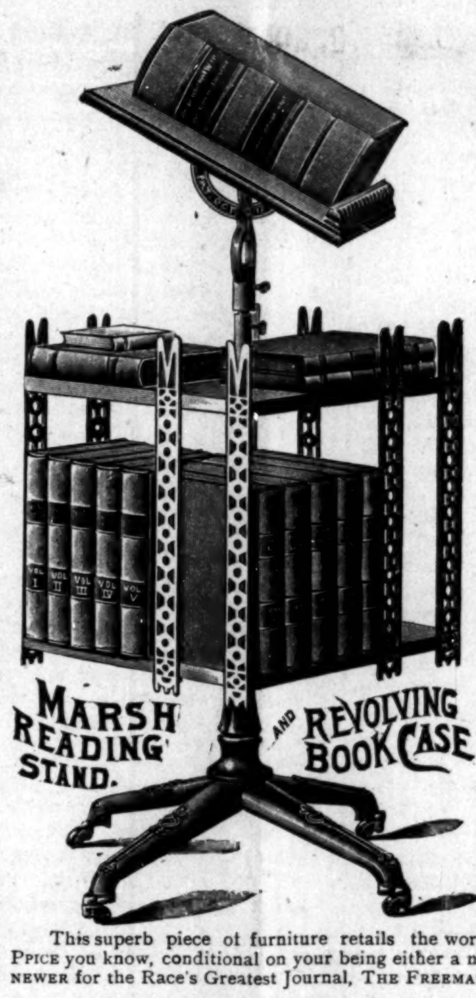

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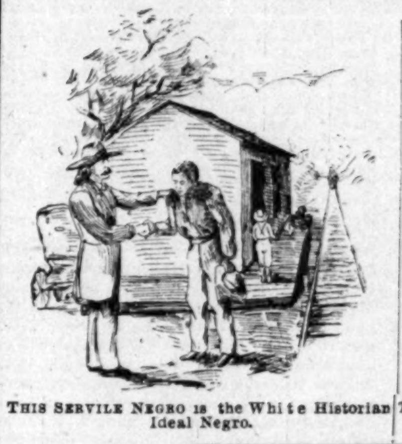
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Then the mornin' glories makes,
And the sunshine would look sadder
For their good old-fashion's sakes.

I like 'em 'cause they kind o'
Sort o' make a fellar like 'm;
And I tell you, when I find a
Bunch out whur the sun kin strike em
It allus sets me thinkin'
O' the ones that used to grow
And peek in thro' the chinkin'
O' the cabin, don't you know?

And then I think o' mother,
And how she used to love 'em
When they wuzn't any other,
'Less she found 'em up above 'em;
And her eyes, afore she shut 'em,
Whispered with a smile and said
We must pick a bunch and put 'em
In her hand when she wuz dead.

But, as I wuz a sayin',
They ain't no style about 'em,
Very gaudy or displayin',
But I wouldn't be without 'em,
'Cause I'm happier in these posies,
And the hollyhawks and sich,
Than the hummin' bird that noses
In the roses of the rich.

—James Whitcomb Riley.

HOW WE ARE KEPT

From Procuring Wealth—By G. T. Laster, Buena Vista, Ark.

This question comes before us daily. Why is it that more of our people don't try to procure something more than an ordinary living? Many of them think it is because we are too much divided. Some think we have not had time enough in such a few years, while others think it is impossible for a man to get to heaven if he is rich. The latter seems to be the current word with many of the good christians throughout the country. For their text they generally refer to the 16th chapter of St. Luke, which I shall take and speak briefly of in defence. In this chapter we have the history of the rich man and Lazarus, the extreme of poverty and riches, heaven and hell. What was the sin of the rich man that caused him to lift up his eyes in hell, being tormented in the flame? Was it because he was rich? Father Abraham was rich and he went to heaven. It is dangerous to be rich, but not a sin. Was it because the rich man dressed in purple and fine linen, fared sumptuously every day? He was not charged with sin on that account Was it because Lazarus was laid at his gate full of sores, desiring to be fed with the crumbs that fell from the rich man's table? The rich man is not charged with neglecting Lazarus.

"And it came to pass the beggar died and was carried by an angel into Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died and was buried and in hell lifted up his eyes, seeing Abraham a far off and Lazarus in his bosom." * *

This demonstrated the sufficiency of divine revelation for man's salvation if he believed and obeyed. There are many of this day that think if they could see one from the dead to testify that there is a hell they would repent, but such is not the case. What was the rich man's sin? The only thing I find him charged with, he contented himself with the good things he had and made no preparations for the life to come.

The scriptures teach, "you must be born again and except a man be born of water and the spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God." The rich man like many of the present day, did not seek the spiritual birth, therefore, he was excluded from the kingdom of God. It is to be feared that there are many of the present day that do not come up to the standard of the rich man, that flattered themselves that they will be saved. That God is too good, and just to send them to hell. God is good and just, that is the reason why the wicked will go to hell. God has proclaimed that the wicked and all the nations that forget him shall be turned into hell. He offers life and salvation to all that will repent—turn away from sin and turn to him, and accept Jesus Christ as their Savior. A man can procure riches and go to heaven providing he does not put his trust in then. We should all strive to get money, by honest, earnest, daily toils, but don't forget our God.

Dr. Henderson Addressed.

Dr. Henderson:—Having read your series of letters, I would have you act those brilliant ideas you suggest. I assure you sir many would follow if they had a leader. Be their general—use every power God and nature has given you, to erect that barrier between the black and his parasites, those very light persons that you so much desire; but when you make this direct declaration, "Ethiopians have achieved nothing worthy of notice." I, as directly call you a liar and challenge you to prove the statement to be true. Those very light persons resting under the sobriquet of Negro, tell me, doctor, under what other can they rest? Milk and water mixed is neither milk nor water; probably you would call them Aztecs, Indians or Exquimaux. You claim to be an ethnologist, doctor, so answer that question. I agree with you; ages of heroic manly efforts must be made by the black man before he shall be acknowledged "the grandest race beneath the sun, but when Time ushers in that grand event where will you white—what must I call you—be?" "Let the people of mixed blood cling tenaciously to the rich legacy bequeathed them by their ancestors." You forget, sir, to say which ancestors—if you mean the white ancestor I will wager a penny that their ship founders the moment they break the cable that holds them safe. Their only anchor is black people and you know it. No doctor, you "never fly off on tangents;" you "merely elucidate the central idea;" do you not know that it is necessary to fly off on tangents in order to "elucidate the central idea." As you are such an astute logician inform me by what train of reasoning you have determined the "hope of posterity."

How logical you are, Dr. H.; you say "the whites are unfair and unjust, and the blacks foolish and unreasonable;" that is, you place them both on the same level after all, for to be "unjust" is to be "unreasonable" and to be "unreasonable" is to be "unfair," and they that are "unfair" are "foolish," therefore according to you, black and white people are foolish. Now as you claim not to be black, and as you are not white, it follows that you and those very light persons are neither unfair, unjust, unwise or foolish; indeed, doctor, I do not blame you for clinging to the rich legacies bequeathed you.

Edw. H. King, Ventriloquist,
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REPLY TO MISS GHANT.

"Shall We Employ White or Colored Teachers in Our Colleges?"

There appeared in the Freeman of a recent date an able article under the above heading from the pen of Miss Josephine E. Ghant of Birmingham, Ala.

She has wedged in some unrefutable objections against the employment of that class of teachers.

My work has been that of a teacher for more than seven years and in this time I have ever cherished a longing desire to see our people elevated. Now in answering the question, "Shall We Employ White Teachers in Our Colleges?" my reply would be emphatically,no. Why? Because it is fostering that spirit of dependency which was generated into our people in the ante-bellum days, and in many cases has been inherited by the present generation.

Such a feeling of dependency has worked harm already to the colored people. Thousands of them are homeless, illiterate, and worthless owing to the lack of self-reliance as individuals and as a race. We find in some localities of the South they will not consent to get far from the "Old plantation." Many of them will suffer to be enslaved by the present owners of these farm, before they will hunt a hive of their own.

Next, do not you think that the Negro has a little enough confidence in the intellectual ability and capabilities of his race? Won't the continual using white teachers among us to fill our best positions sustain him in his belief?

All the Negroes, who believe that there is nothing good unless it is in some way connected with white and believing that there is nothing good in black, are not dead yet. You can find one of them occasionally bobbing up long enough to say that "I got my education from a white school teacher." Like if that made it better. There are some good white teachers and there are some inferior ones, just as there are among us, and as Miss Ghant says, we very often receive the latter class. I sometimes think that we can tolerate the white teacher in case he is employed by white charitable organizations to work among our people, and in that instance we believe that the colored teacher would do better work, and for that reason I would enter my protest against it.

Would you consider it narrow and prejudical in one of us who looks at the financial status of this question? We don't only see that side of it, but we must let others know we do. It is impoverishing our people when we allow money to be paid out to white teachers which colored teachers should have. The number of noble and worthy colored men and women who have been helped on to the station of eminence with the money they made teaching, are not a few.

Gov. Oates, of Alabama, in delivering the annual address at the commencement of the State Normal and Industrial school, at Normal, Ala, said that he did not only believe that colored teachers should be employed in every instance to teach for us, but he believed that worthy colored men and women should be used as trustees on the boards of the state schools, because he thought it would give better satisfaction. We feel grateful for what the white teachers have done for us, and believe that all of the whites who look at this question as reasonably as the governor does. will agree with us that we should employ our own teachers.

D. L. Johnson.

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Where the light wings of zephyr, oppress'd with perfume,
Wax faint o'er the gardens of Gul in her bloom;
Where the citron and olive are fairest of fruit,
And the voice of the nightingale never is mute;
Where the tints of the earth, and the hues of the sky,
In color though varied, in beauty may vie,
And the purple of ocean is deepest in dye;
Where the virgins are soft as the roses they twine,
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The train on the I. D. & W. Railroad will leave the Union Station at 9:30 a. m. Returning, leave the Park at 5:00 p. m., arriving in the city at 6 p. m.

Rev. Charley Johnson, the boy preacher, will preach during the day.

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CITY HAPPENINGS—PERSONAL.

Frank Harris is in Muncie.

Bring your news items to The Freeman.

Ollie McCary was in Louisville, Ky., this week.

Miss Minnie Elbert left Wednesday for Niagara Falls.

Quarterly meeting services at Bethel were largely attended.

Mrs. Willa Collins and son Charley are visiting friends in Ohio.

The Odd Fellows took a large delegation to Louisville last Thursday.

Thousands will go to the Basket meeting at North Salem, Ind., to-morrow.

The A. M. E Annual Conference convenes at Bethel church early in Sept

Dr. and Mrs. S. A. Elbert entertained Miss Lola Johnson at dinner Tuesday.

Chas. Brown and Jas. McElroy have returned from a trip to Niagara Falls.

W Allison Sweeney has moved from 313 Indiana avenue to 778 S. East street.

Mrs Julius Cox is visiting in Louisville, Ky.

J. H Stewart of the Monon route left Thursday for a two week's stay in Boston, Mass.

Miss Leana Goins of Martinsville, Ind., was the guest of relatives last week.

Mrs. I M. Jordan of Lafayette, passed through the city this week en route to Greensburg.

All news articles sent to this office by Tuesday evening will appear in the current issue.

Mesdames Chas. McDade and Will Blackburn entertained friends from Cincinnati last Sunday.

Miss Lillian Crutchfield returned to her home at Louisville yesterday.

50 cts for adults and 25 cts. for children under 12 years fare for the round trip to the basket meeting at North Salem, Ind.

A large crowd as usual will attend the basket meeting to-morrow.

Miss Jessie Merriam a teacher of Omaha, Neb., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jones of 512 East 7th street.

A party of ladies spent Monday at Broad Ripple Park in honor of Miss Lola Johnson.

Mrs. Perry Walker leaves to-day for her home at Henderson, Ky., after two week's visit in the city.

Dr. Wm. Chavis left early in the week for a much needed rest. He will be absent several weeks.

Mrs. Lillian Thomas-Fox has been suffering several days from an acute attack of pleurisy.

Miss Lillian Jones of Louisville, Ky., will spend the month of August in the city the guest of her parents.

Mrs. Keziah Pierce, well known as "Aunt Kissie" died last Thursday at the Alpha Home, an institution for aged colored women. She was 123 years of age. She had been married four times and was the mother of twenty children.

The Knights of Pythias leave to-night for Chicago to attend the Conclave which will be in session throughout the coming week.

Miss Mamie B Lewis, a charming young lady of St. Louis, is visiting Miss Edna Harris on Hiawatha street.

Phillip Mays died Monday and was buried Wednesday under the direction of the Masons.

Mrs. Lewis, mother of Mrs. Roxie Dixon, died Sunday August 11th and was buried Wednesday from Bethel church. She had been sick several years.

Rev H. H. Harris of Walnut Hills, O., will preach at Corinthian Baptist church Sunday morning and evening. Everybody invited.

Rev. S. L. M. Francis, Ph. D. A. M., President Bluefield Seminary, Bluefield, W. Va., will lecture at Corinthian Baptist church Tuesday evening, Aug 27th.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Allen came up from Vernon this week, and are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Wilson, Alvord street

Don't fail to attend the grand sunflower carnival August 22, at Bethel church.

Mrs. Anna Johnson, Indianapolis' sweetest singer will sing in the sunflower carnival at Bethel church August 22.

Don't fail to hear Miss Jessie Merriam of Omaha, Neb., August 22, at Bethel church.

Mrs. S. L. Jackson, Princeton, Ind., rising elocutionist will surely appear at Bethel church August 22.

The last Basket meeting for the season to-morrow at North Salem, Ind., under the auspices of the Second Baptist church.

Hear our Charley Johnson the 14 year old boy preacher at the Basket meeting to-morrow.

The Clay-Winston combination, with Mrs. Edna Gist-Winston as leading lady left the city last Monday to fill a nine month's engagement.

Miss Melissa Davidson left last Saturday for Springfield, O., where she will make her future home. It is said her mother will remove shortly to Hamilton, O.

Miss Elnora Parker has returned to her home in Frankfort, Ind, after a pleasant visit among her friends in the city.

George Simmons, the foreman of The Freeman composing room, is in Martinsville taking a vacation.

Miss Estella Fisher of Terre Haute, Ind, is in the city the guests of the Miss Sweenies. Miss Fisher will visit friends in Kentucky before she returns home.

The last chance to enjoy the pleasant country zephers this year, don't fail to attend the Basket meeting.

The train on the I. D. & W. R. R. will leave the Union station at 9:30 a. m. returning leave the Park at 5 p m. arriving in the city at 5:45 p. m.

Rev. Alexander Posey was in the city this week en route from Terre Haute to his home at Rushville. Accompanied by Mrs. Irene Posey he gave The Freeman office a pleasant call.

"Major" Taylor left for Chicago Monday night where he took part in the bicycle races last Tuesday.

Willing Workers' Club No. 2 will give a lawn fete and musicale at Olive Baptist church on Coburn street Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, Aug. 20th and 21st. Geo Allen, manager.

The reception given by Mrs. Absolom last Thursday in honor of her guests was an elaborate affair and in keeping with former affairs for which this lady was hostess. The toilets of the ladies are said to have surpassed in elegance those seen for many days.

Rev. and Mrs L. W. Ratliffe and son Samuel, relatives of Mrs. M. Hall, 289 Bright street, enroute from Trail Settlement to Brazil, Ind, spent a few hours in the city Monday. Rev. Ratliffe is the pastor of Allen chapel, Terre Haute, which church granted him a vacation from July 25, to August 18.

Miss Hattie E. Daniels and not Mrs. as was stated in last week's issue will spend the summer at Atlantic City, N.J.

George H. Kellar left for Chicago last Saturday where he joins the Corine Kimball Opera Co.

Miss Clara Gee of 121 S. Spruce St., entertained friends last week. The "Plungers," a local quartet of some reputation were present, and rendered some of their best selections. William Goodall and Allie Morton sang solos, which were well rendered. Fred Alexander and Mr. Willie Pierce capped the climax with their performances on the piano.

Miss Tillie Larter, of Bedford, Ind., is in the city, the guest of her sister, Mrs. Andrew Locklear.

Ho! for Rushville!

Labor Day, Monday, Sept 2nd. First grand excursion and outing given by the See-Saw Cycling and Athletic Club of Indianapolis. A great day of sport! A match race between "Major" Taylor, winner of the great Mathews road race, also the great Chicago road race, (ten miles) in the fastest time ever made by any colored rider, and Henry Stewart of St. Louis better known as the "St Louis Flyer." Prizes awarded at K of P. Hall in the evening. Round trip 75c. Train leaves Union Station at 8:30 a. m Committee: N. P. Gardner, chairman; J. O. Tilford, J. D. Porter, president; Clem. Hitchens, A. Means, Geo. Worthington, Jno. Alexander, secretary.

Visitors Entertained.

Misses Effie Seaton and Mamie Taylor entertained a large and select party of friends at their residence on Howard street Wednesday evening August 7th, in honor of Miss Mary King of Lebanon, Ind. Among the guests were Miss Eatella Newby of Chicago, Ill, Edward Hanley of Cincinnati, O., Charles Hicks of Peora Ill., and many others. Supper consisting of the delicacies of the season was served from ten to twelve. All were highly entertained.

Among The Waiters—Hotel Notes.

The DUCE was to pay,
When the waiter dropped the TRAY,
And he came with an ACE
Of loosing his place.

Al Guinn is just full of sin.

Ex-Capt. Rabi Myers is at Baden-Baden.

Clarence Woods is not real well yet, but is improving daily.

Ike Carter is an expert at the maple syrup business, and has been at it some time.

Waiter Mitchell is the best napkin-folder in the city, but is at present out of employment.

Al Guinn, jr., seven-year-old went to a picnic, and had an accident with a Georgia watermelon which laid him up.

A banquet at the Bates held the boys quite late on the evening of August 6th, but they enjoy such things once in a while.

John Steward's father was head cook at the Bates thirty years ago. No wonder John makes such a good hotel man.

An order as overheard: "Two orders of little necks, 6 to the order, deeply buried under fine ice, if you please."—Charlie Hall.

Charlie Jackson is seldom seen without a button-hole bouquet. He even wore Trilby violets when they were 50c a cluster.

George Woods, head-waiter at Sherman's restaurant has made a record he may well be proud of. His men speak well for him.

John Southall returned to work Thursday morning, August 1st, only being away three days and will finish his vacation later on.

Louis People lives at 25 Elsworth street. Mrs. Peoples is an active church worker, and their house is often the scene of socials and parties

Jarvis Buford is an ex-school teacher from "Old Kentuck," but has taken kindly to the hotel business, which he seems to adapt very readily.

"Hello Boots!" that seems strange when applied to a fellow whose name is not Boots. He is a waiter and a good one, and his name is Albert Thurman.

James Gilyard, late waiter at Hotel English, met with an accident while on an excursion to Cincinnati which laid him up in the hospital for several days.

Frank Duesant, late proprietor of the hotel on South Illinois street has been away from town for several months. He has returned, but is not working.

Willis Martin the congenial headwaiter at the Grand, has been in the city many years, and as headwaiter at the Grand twelve years. Willis hails from Lebanon, Ky.

Capt. Dawson can be seen early in the morning preparing for the day's work. "Cap" is very active and seems interested in the business. Did you ever notice his smile?

Henry Florence is a waiter in his way, although he occupies the position of omnibus or tray-carrier. Part of the time he serves meals to the officers of the "Bates" dining room.

Mr. Jackson who has charge of the club rooms at the Commercial Club Building has held that position two years. He became connected with the club when it was first opened.

Henry Cook has long been connected with Hotel English. When girls formed the force of waiters, Henry worked along as a private man, and was so faithful and steady that when the change was made he became headwaiter.

The first-class waiter is clean shaven, wears perfectly white collar and cuffs, black pants, and has his shoes polished. All these things go together, and are a part of the first-class man.

Chas. Graves can make as nice a little speech as one would wish to hear. He is very suspicious in his actions, which causes him to be watched a good deal, and when caught his tongue usually saves him.

We notice the name of Capt. Patterson on the window of a cigar store on the avenue. He is ex-Captain of the morning watch at the Bates and is often seen among the boys when there is a demand for good waiters.

At Tron's restaurant the class of waiters are easily discovered by glancing in while passing. They are all neat, clean and tidy in appearance and always on the alert. Wm. Breedlove and Tom Scott form two of the crew.

Jack Smith is a little gentleman, always seen in a dress suit and immaculate collar and cuffs while on duty, but he never goes out with the girls, and was never seen in company of one which is often remarked by his co-workers.

Francis Golden is an old and experienced man around hotels. He has been for several years at the Bates and is connected with the culinary department. He has a large and interesting family, who reside at 65 Bismark street, West Indianapolis.

Milton Bess is a waiter among waiters. He has charge of the work in general of the "Bates", help's hall. He is a thorough man at his business, for the floors, tables, and wares used in that department never were whiter and cleaner.

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